Self-introduction

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My little story



- Born in small village of Quang Binh province
- ▶ Went to College of Natural Science, Hanoi (2004-2008)
 - B.Sc Thesis: "Absolute mass of neutrinos", Advisor: Dr. Nguyen Anh Ky
- Went to Univ. of Texas at Austin for Ph.D (Sept. 2009-May. 2014), VEF fellowship
 - ► Ph.D Thesis: "Study of antineutrino oscillations using accelerator and atmospheric data in MINOS"
- Went to Japan June 2014 until now
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 - use auxiliary detector to measure electronic latency, which helps for measuring neutrino speed at MINOS (ref. OPERA's fault claim for faster-than-speed-of-light)



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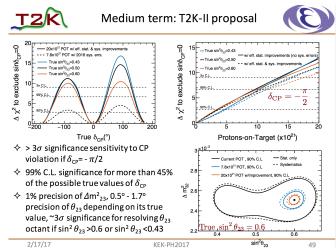
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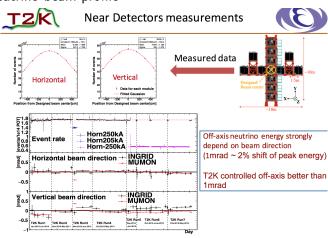
Recent contribution & work-in-progress

Explore physics potential of T2K-II (extend T2K up to 2026,)



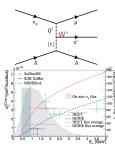


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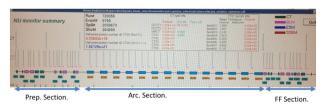


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- ► Also analyzer for T2K near detector to measure neutrino interaction, focusing on coherent channel (work-in-progress)
 - ♦ Interesting features
 - Pion created from off-shell W boson despite small nucleus binding energy (~10s MeV)
 - Very small four-momentum transfer, |t|~ ħ²/R² to leave nucleus in its ground state
 - ♦ Small angle scattering of produced lepton
 - Puzzle: K2K and SciBooNE found no evidence of CC coherent below 1.5 GeV but NC coherent signal was clearly observed at same energy

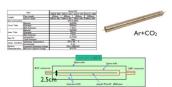




► Manage Beam loss monitor for neutrino beam line

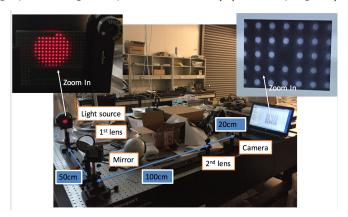


- · 50 BLM distributed along the beamline
- Proportional counter w/ Ar+CO₂ mixture
- Signal integrated for each beam spill and fire MPS interlock if over threshold





▶ R&D project for Beam Induced Fluorescence (BIF) for non-destructive monitor of proton beam (before hitting on graphene target to produce neutrino) (work-in-progress)



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Neutrino activities in Japan



- (focusing on long base-line experiment, atmospheric neutrino, not including reactor neutrino and neutrino-less double beta decay)
- T2K is now the main project, highest priority in taking data, may finish data around 2021, but seem extending up to 2026: first measurement on CP (main achievement is $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}$ observation, Breakthrough prize). T2K uses Super-K as far detector
- Super-K (50k tons of water Cherenkov det.) is till running and improving by adding Gadolinium into the detector, improve Supernova neutrino search
- ▶ Hyper-K (\sim x10 of Super-K) is future: expectedly operate \sim 2026 (if approved in 2018, likely so).

T2K & our chance



Neutrino Group leader, Prof. Nakaya - Kyoto Univ., is spokesperson of T2K. Neutrino Group will apply to join T2K this October.

What we can contribute:

- (software) Neutrino Interaction Simulation, a.k.a NEUT, used widely in JAPAN (used by T2K, Super-K and also Hyper-K)
- (software) Neutrino Interaction measurement with T2K Near Detector (also can be with T2K Far Detector, Super-K)
- (software) Neutrino oscillation measurement (in combination w/ Super-K atmospheric neutrino sample)
- (hardware) Monitor T2K Near Detector. (Also can join effort to upgrade detector, such as Muon Monitor, Using MPPC)



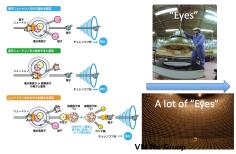
Super-K & our chance

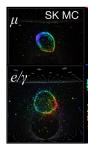


Neutrino Group affiliated member, Prof. Miura - ICRR, Univ. of Tokyo, is convener of Super-K activity & recently measure proton decay.

What we can contribute:

- (software) Particle identity (or event classification) improvement when adding Gadolinium
- (software) Proton decay measurement with update data & improve event classification
- (software) Atmospheric neutrino analysis (in combine w/ T2K)
- (hardware) PMT re-install when Super-K opening tank to insert Gadolinium (Summer 2018)





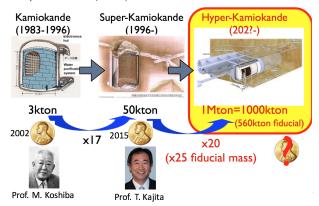


Hyper-K & our chance

Neutrino Group leader, Prof. Nakaya - Kyoto Univ., is chair of Hyper-K steering committee.

What we can contribute:

- (software) Explore potential physics of Hyper (many not just neutrino)
- (hardware) PMT development/ detector calibration



Backup

