Astrophysical and terrestrial applications of coherent neutrino scattering

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Neutrino cross sections across all scales



Low energy neutrino interactions



$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \to e^+ + n$$





 $\nu_e + (A, Z) \to (A, Z+1) + e^-$



Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering (CEvNS)



Coherent effects of a weak neutral current



Brice et al, 1311.5958

Detection 40+ years in making!





First Detection of Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering on Argon

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Neutrino signals at COHERENT



CEvNS cross section measurements



Impact of COHERENT results



Measurement of the neutron distribution in the nucleus [Cadeddu, Dordei, Giunti, Li, Zhang, 2019; Aristizibal-Sierra, Liao, Marfatia, 2019; Hoferichter, Menendez, Schwenk 2020]

XENON collaboration, PRL 126 (2021) 091301: 2012.02846 [hep-ex]

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COHERENT LAP 2020

Flavor separation of CEvNS



Sterile neutrinos and CEvNS



Sterile neutrinos: Anderson et al. 2012; Dutta et al. 2016; Blanco, Machado, Hooper 2019; Miranda et al. 2020, Prospect collaboration, 2024

Bisset, Dutta, Huang, LS, arXiv: 2310.13194

Complementarity in CEvNS



CEvNS at nuclear reactors





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CEvNS upper limits at reactors

Constraints on elastic neutrino nucleus scattering in the fully coherent regime from the CONUS experiment

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Sterile neutrinos: Anderson et al. 2012; Dutta et al. 2016; Blanco, Machado, Hooper 2019; Miranda et al. 2020

Weak mixing angle: Fernandez-Moroni et al. 2021



Detection of neutrinos and dark matter







Search for Coherent Elastic Scattering of Solar ⁸B Neutrinos in the XENON1T Dark Matter Experiment

XENON collaboration, PRL 126 (2021) 091301: 2012.02846 [hep-ex]



Solar neutrinos





Measurement of neutral current component of the 8B spectrum with CEvNS in a DM detector would directly measure the Solar metallicity

New bound on NSI [Dutta, Liao, Strigari, Walker 2017] and Sterile neutrinos [Billard, LS, Figueroa-Feliciano 2014]

Flavor composition of solar neutrinos



Nityasa Mishra & L. Strigari PRD 2023

Beyond tree level: ⁸B solar neutrinos



Radiative corrections to the CEvNS cross section induce small flavor dependences [Marciano & Sirlin 1980; Sehgal 1985; Tomalak et al. 2021]; Charge radius contribution in CEvNS [Cadeddu et al. 2018; de Romeri et al. 2023]

Flavor-dependent corrections introduce a small day/night asymmetry in solar neutrino rate [Nityasa Mishra & L. Strigari PRD 2023]



Time variation of solar neutrino flux



Dark matter modulation should be out of phase with solar neutrino modulation [Davis 2014]

Time variability should be observable in G3 Xenon detector for electron and nuclear recoils [Zhuang, Strigari, Jin, Sinha, 2023, 2024]

A Measurement of Solar pp Neutrino Flux using PandaX-4T Electron Recoil Data



Pandax collaboration, 2401.07045

Next generation neutrino detection









Beyond tree level: ⁸B solar neutrinos







Brdar & Xu PLB 2024



Beyond tree level: 7Be solar neutrinos



Larger scale experiment similar to Borexino, e.g. JUNO, may be sensitive to non-unitarity in 3-flavor oscillations [K. Kelly, N. Mishra, M. Rai, LS 2024]

Low-energy atmospheric neutrinos



Solar and geomagnetic effects



Time variation and geomagnetic effects depend on detector location [Zhuang, Strigari, Lang PRD 2021]

Low energy atmospheric neutrino fluxes



Solar and geomagnetic effects at DUNE and Hyper-Kamiokande



- Over 11-year solar cycle, statistical significance for observing time modulation of atmospheric neutrinos is 4.8σ for DUNE and 2.0σ for HK.
- Flux measurements at both DUNE and HK important for understanding systematics and oscillations in low-energy atmospheric neutrinos.

CEvNS with directional detectors



Neutrino energy reconstruction



Lisotti et al, 2404.03690

CEvNS in the coming decade



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Neutrino physics opportunities with dark matter detectors

- 8B solar neutrinos likely to be the first astrophysical measurement of CEvNS
- Opportunities for atmospheric neutrinos at dark matter detectors
- Flavor dependencies in CEvNS, and future precision measurements
- Opportunities with CEvNS and terrestrial detectors
- CEvNS experiments using decay inflight

