

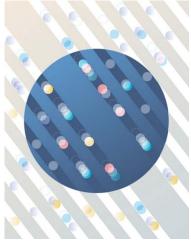
DOE Neutrino Program Plans

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P5 Neutrino Program Recommendations

- Pursue the physics associated with neutrino mass
- Several significant changes in direction are recommended:
 - Reformulate the long-baseline neutrino program as an internationally designed, coordinated, and funded program with Fermilab as host.
 - Redirect specific activities and efforts at Fermilab to the PIP-II program of improvements to the accelerator complex, which will provide proton beams with power greater than one megawatt by the time of first operation of the new long-baseline neutrino facility.
- Recommendation 12: In collaboration with international partners, develop a coherent short- and long-baseline neutrino program hosted at Fermilab.
 - Fermilab has started this process, with our encouragement





P5 Short-Baseline Neutrino Recommendations

- Recommendation 15: Select and perform in the short term a set of small-scale short baseline experiments that can conclusively address experimental hints of physics beyond the three-neutrino paradigm. Some of these experiments should use liquid argon to advance the technology and build the international community for LBNF at Fermilab.
 - A large fraction of the world's neutrino program will move to the U.S.
 - The worldwide neutrino community will see the U.S. as the place to do their physics



DOE Process for Intermediate Neutrino Program

• P5 recommended both:

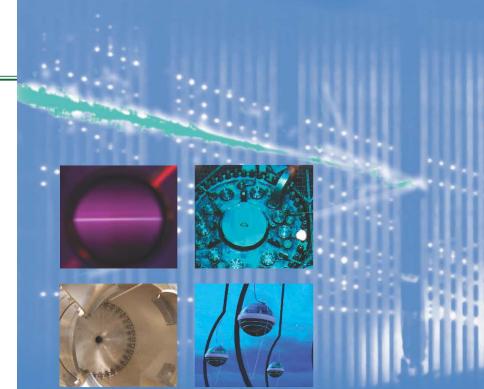
- LBNF as top midterm priority major project
- A balanced and coherent program of short baseline neutrino experiments including small projects
- Plans for LBNF are moving along well and are described in the Fermilab talk immediately preceding
 - This talk will focus on the latter, near-term item above
- The FNAL short baseline program using the Booster Neutrino Beam is well advanced in planning stages and will be evaluated by the FNAL PAC in January
- However, there are many other possible short baseline neutrino experiments using other facilities, with and without accelerator beams
 - Many R&D efforts underway at various stages of development
- DOE is interested in understanding these various options and plans in more detail
 - Community workshop February 4-6, 2015 at Brookhaven
 - Followed by a possible call for proposals



Workshop Info.

- Workshop on the Intermediate Neutrino Program
 - February 4-6, 2015
 - Brookhaven National Laboratory
 - www.bnl.gov/winp
- Agenda will include:
 - Talks from agencies
 - Lots of physics working groups on various neutrino topics
- Early registration deadline January 9





WINP2015

February 4-6, 2015 Brookhaven National Laboratory www.bnl.gov/winp

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Sterile Neutrinos

Topics

Neutrino Mixing Neutrino Interactions Neutrino Properties Precision SM Tests Astrophysical Neutrinos Research & Development

Workshop on

the Intermediate Neutrino Program

DOE Process for Short-baseline Neutrinos

- Planning for the workshop includes input from NSF and DOE NP as well including PIs supported by those programs
 - See <u>www.bnl.gov/winp</u> for more info
- The workshop gives us the opportunity, in particular, to hear community ideas for other near term (less than 5 year) small projects (less than ~\$10M) that are:
 - Scientifically compelling
 - Competitive in the world program
 - Small enough in scope and technically ready
- Based on the information gleaned from the workshop and available funds we may announce a new funding opportunity (FOA) for such small projects later in 2015
 - Specific objectives and requirements would be called out in the FOA



Other Elements of DOE Neutrino program

- There will be many good ideas that do not fit into the funding or schedule constraints discussed above and we are interested in those, as well
 - For example, there are also important issues to address in technology R&D for future experiments and theory support for the broad neutrino program
 - Reports from the working groups will be helpful in addressing these issues
- Possible funding for such efforts will be dealt with through the usual proposal process. There may be additional opportunities for partnerships or other collaborative funding.







Measuring Neutrino Properties

- Neutrinos are neutral and only interact via the weak force
 - Experiments need to generate a huge number of neutrinos
 - Nuclear power plants produce antineutrinos in all directions
 - Powerful accelerators can produce copious amounts of neutrinos and antineutrinos in a directed beam to a neutrino detector
 - Experiments need very large and sensitive detectors
 - Hundreds to thousands of tons of mass help allow a neutrino interaction
 - High detector sensitivity helps record rare interactions, when they occur
- Neutrinos are known to change types as they travel and it is not clear if there is a difference in the way neutrinos and antineutrinos interact
 - It takes some time (distance) for neutrinos to change types (oscillate)
 - Optimal distance depends on the properties of the neutrino source
 - Some measurements require hundreds of miles between source and detector
 - Accelerators required to study difference between neutrino & antineutrino
- Understanding the complex physics of neutrinos requires a complementary set of experiments with different sources and detectors

