

Flavor Pendula

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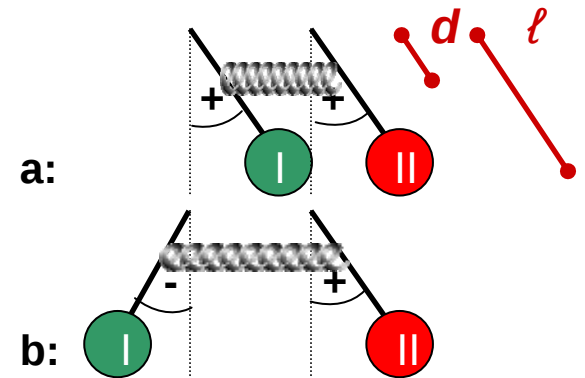
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Coupled Pendula

- Free Oscillation of one pendulum: $\omega_0^2 = \frac{g}{\ell}$
- 2 pendula with same length ℓ , mass m coupled by spring with strength k
- 2 Eigenmodes
 - Different eigenfrequencies = energies
Mode a (II + I) with $\omega_a^2 = \omega_0^2$
Mode b (II - I) with $\omega_b^2 = \omega_0^2 + \Delta\omega^2$
 - **Frequency (=energy) difference increases with stronger coupling**

$$\Delta\omega^2 = \frac{kd^2}{m\ell^2}$$

- Coupling can be steered by varying k or d
(we'll vary d in the following)



Two bases in Hilbert-space

flavor-basis

- eigenstates of flavor
- eigenstates of weak charge
- *particles take part in weak interactions as flavor-eigenstates*

- Examples:

- $\bar{K}^0 (s \bar{u})$ or $K^0 (\bar{s} u)$
- ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ

mass-basis

- eigenstates of mass
- well-defined lifetime
- *Particles propagate through space-time as mass-eigenstates*

$$|\nu(\mathbf{t})\rangle = |\nu\rangle \mathbf{e}^{i(\vec{p}\vec{x} - Et)} \mathbf{e}^{-\Gamma t}$$

- Examples:

- K_L^0, K_S^0
- ν_1, ν_2, ν_3

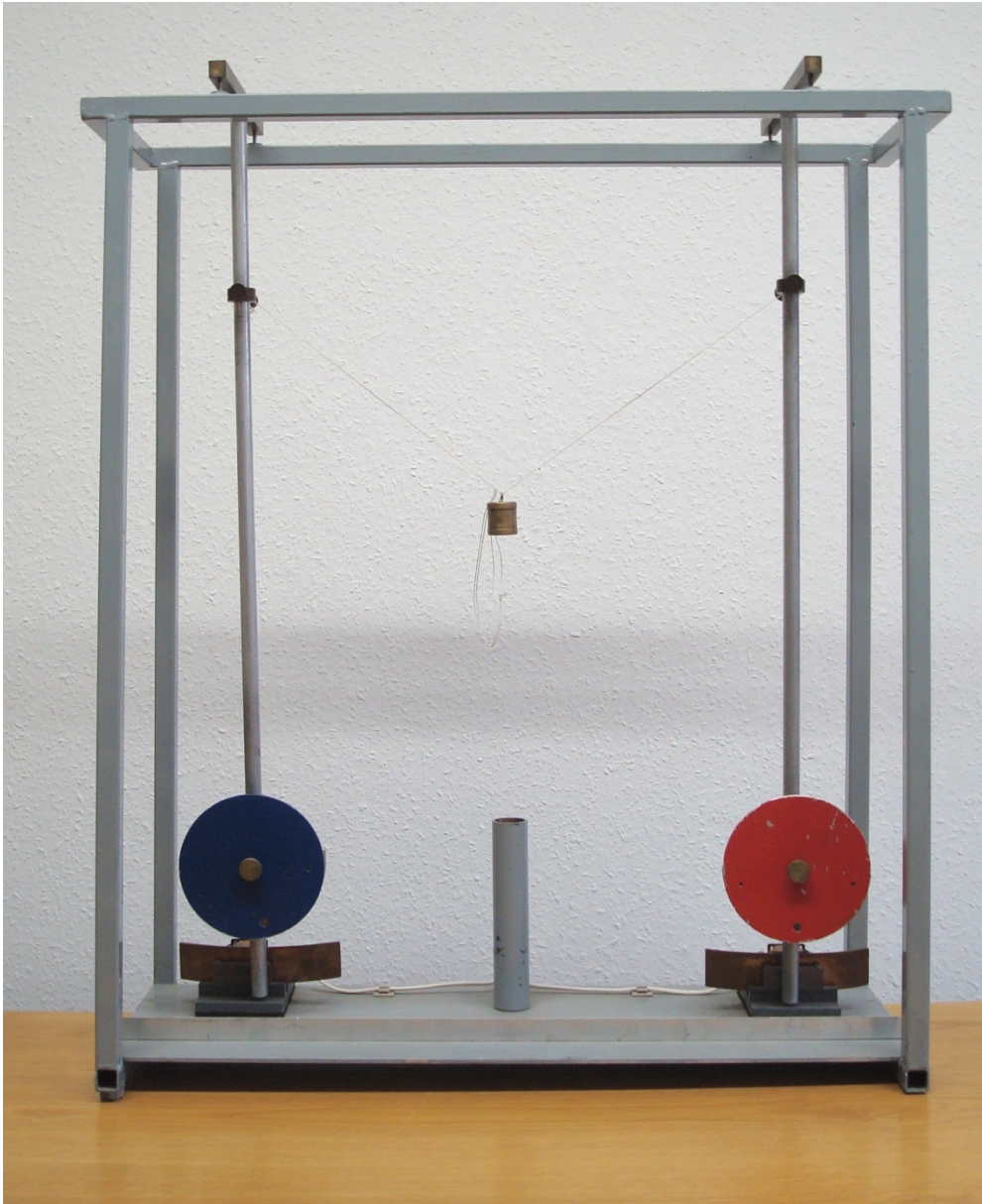
- Like coupled pendula, the coupling of particles leads to eigenstates with different masses and lifetimes, e.g. for linear combination of 2 states:

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_a &= (\nu_\tau + \nu_\mu)/\sqrt{2} & \text{with } m_a^2 &= m_0^2 \\ \nu_b &= (\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)/\sqrt{2} & \text{with } m_b^2 &= m_0^2 + \Delta m^2 \end{aligned}$$

Correspondences

pendulum	particles
Linear oscillation	complex phase rotation
Eigenmodes → fixed eigenfrequencies	Mass eigenstates → fixed phase frequencies
Frequency differences $\Delta\omega$ → different energies	Frequency differences $e^{i\Delta Et} \sim e^{i\Delta m^2 t}$ → different masses
One pendulum = lin. combination of eigenmodes	Flavor eigenstate = lin. combination of mass eigenstates
$ \text{amplitude}^2 \sim$ total energy in oscillation	$ \text{amplitude}^2 \sim$ detection probability
Beat-Frequency $\sim \Delta\omega$ of eigenmodes	Flavor-Oscillation $\sim \Delta m^{(2)}$ of mass eigenstates

Part I: Pendula for Neutral Meson Mixing



**coupled pendula
for demonstrating
KK-, DD- and BB-mixing**

Idea: Klaus Schubert
built 1987 in
Institut für Hochenergiephysik
Universität Heidelberg
at the occasion of the discovery
of BB-mixing by the
ARGUS-Collaboration at DESY

Part I: Neutral Meson Mixing

	u	c	t		d	s	b
$\bar{u}$	$\times$	D^0	$\diamond$	$\bar{d}$	$\times$	K^0	B^0
$\bar{c}$	$\overline{D^0}$	$\times$	$\diamond$	$\bar{s}$	$\overline{K^0}$	$\times$	B_s
$\bar{t}$	$\diamond$	$\diamond$	$\times$	$\bar{b}$	$\overline{B^0}$	$\overline{B_s}$	$\times$

- Need to be neutral and have distinct anti-particle ($\times$)
- Needs to have a non-zero lifetime
 - top is so heavy, it decays long before it can even form a meson ($\diamond$)
- That leaves four distinct cases...

Some sheets stolen from
Gerhard Raven's

Solving the Schrödinger Equation

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} M - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma & M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12} \\ M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}^* & M - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma \end{pmatrix} \psi(t)$$

Solution (in terms of eigenvectors):

$$\psi(t) = a |B_H(t)\rangle + b |B_L(t)\rangle$$

(a and b determined by initial conditions)

Eigenvectors:

$$|B_H\rangle = p |B\rangle + q |\bar{B}\rangle$$

$$|B_L\rangle = p |B\rangle - q |\bar{B}\rangle$$

Evolution of eigenvectors:

$$|B_H(t)\rangle = |B_H\rangle e^{-i(M + \frac{1}{2} \Delta m - \frac{i}{2}(\Gamma - \Delta\Gamma))t}$$

$$|B_L(t)\rangle = |B_L\rangle e^{-i(M - \frac{1}{2} \Delta m + \frac{i}{2}(\Gamma + \Delta\Gamma))t}$$

From the eigenvector calculation:

$$\frac{q}{p} = \sqrt{\frac{M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}^*}{M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}}}$$

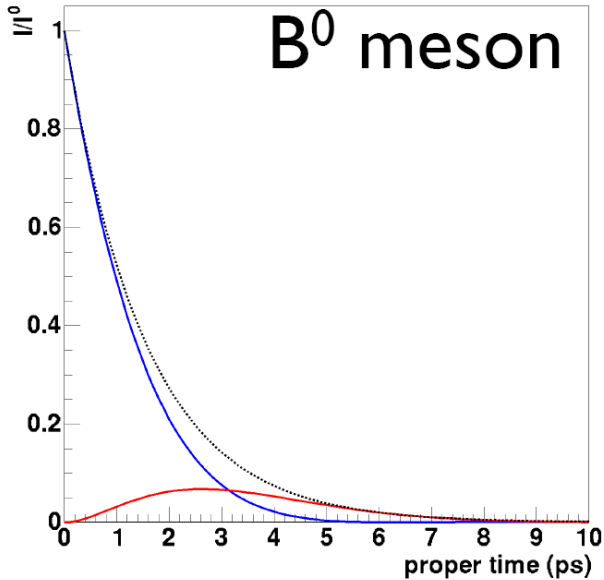
Δm and $\Delta\Gamma$ follow from the eigenvalues:

$$\Delta m + \frac{i}{2} \Delta\Gamma = 2 \sqrt{\left(M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}\right) \left(M_{12}^* - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12}^*\right)}$$

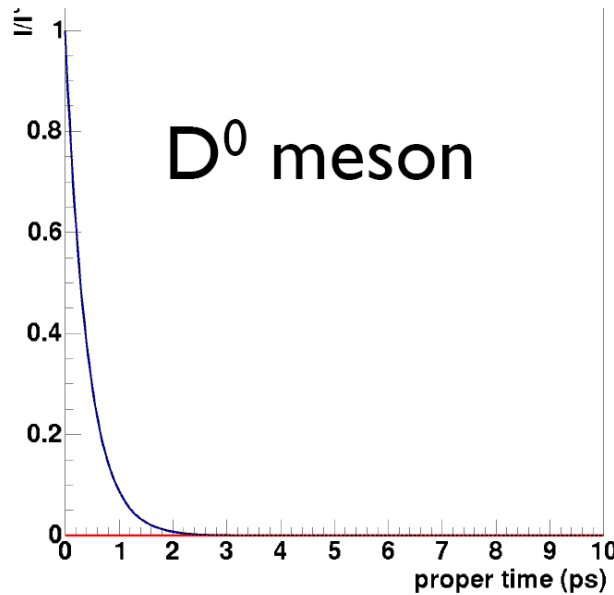
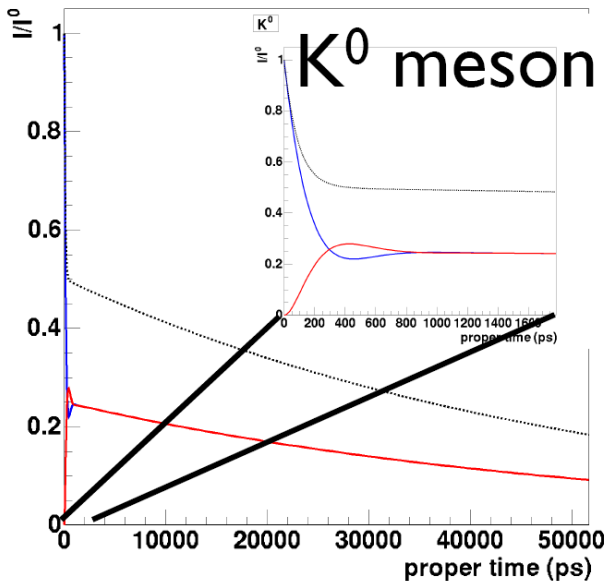
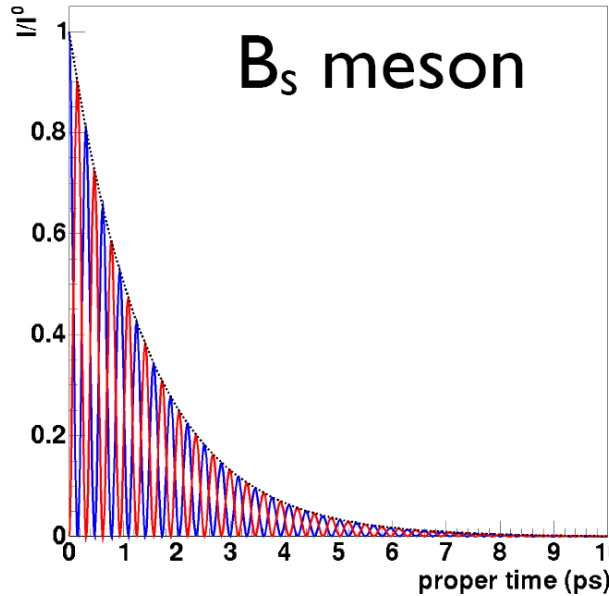
$$\text{if: } \Gamma_{12} = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta\Gamma = 0, \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| = 1$$

Summary of Neutral Meson Mixing

B⁰



B_s



	$x = \frac{m_1 - m_2}{(\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)/2}$	$y = \frac{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}$
B ⁰	0.75	~0.01
B _s	26	~0.10
K ⁰	0.95	0.996
D ⁰	0.009	0.007

Blue:
given a P^0 , at $t=0$,
the probability of
finding a P^0 at t .

Red:
given a P^0 , at $t=0$,
the probability of
finding a P^0 bar at t .

How can pendula model all this?

→ Just start with *one* pendulum (e.g. $\bar{B}^0$ or B^0)!

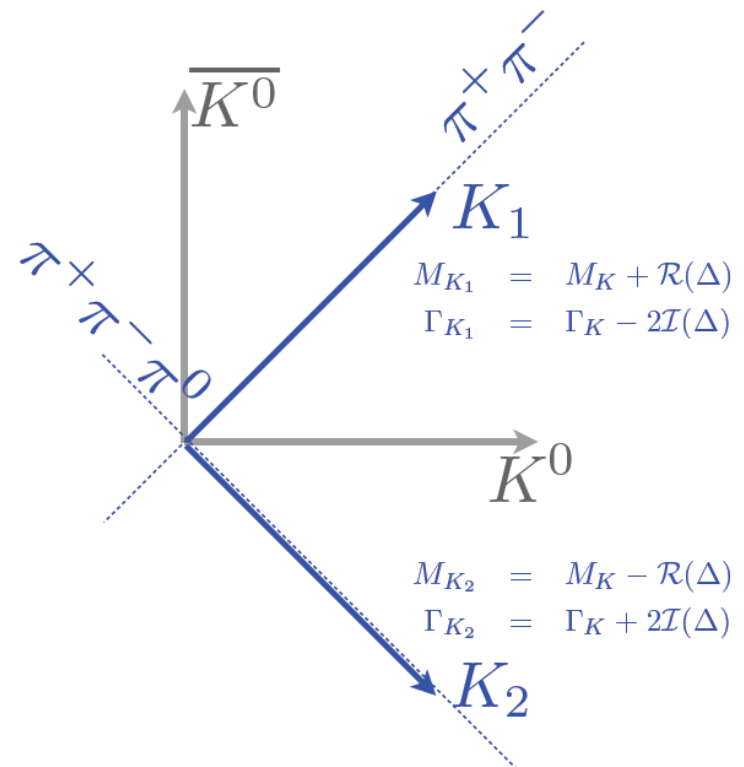
- $\bar{B}^0(b \bar{d}) - B^0(\bar{b} d)$ oscillations:
 - very few decay channels common to both
→ *Each flavor is damped separately*
 - **Just few flavor-oscillation periods observable**
- $\bar{B}_s^0(b \bar{s}) - B_s^0(\bar{b} s)$ oscillations:
 - mixing via $V_{ts}^2 = 0.04^2 > V_{td}^2 = 0.009^2$ much faster compared to B^0
→ *well, model it by slower decay relative to mixing...*
 - **many flavor-oscillation (beat) periods observable**
- $\bar{D}^0(u \bar{c}) - D^0(\bar{u} c)$ oscillations:
 - mixing via $(m_b, m_s) \ll m_t$ much slower compared to B^0
→ *again, model it by faster decay relative to mixing...*
 - **no flavor-oscillation period observable**
- $\bar{K}^0(s \bar{d}) - K^0(\bar{s} d)$ oscillations:
 - most decay channels in common ($\pi\pi, \pi\pi\pi$)
→ *The damping is in the coupling!*
 - Large Phase space difference for decays of mass eigenstates (CP-cons.!)
→ *The damping has to be very different for the eigenmodes*
 - **After a while only the K_L^0 eigenmode remains**

Neutral Kaon Mixing

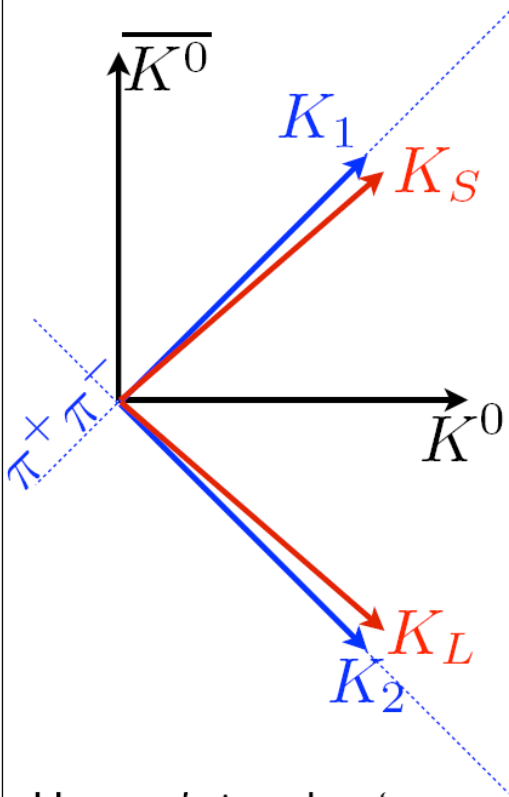
- K_1 and K_2 are their own antiparticle, but one is CP even, the other CP odd
- Only the CP even state can decay into 2 pions
 - $|K_1\rangle$ (CP=+1) $\rightarrow \pi\pi$ (CP=-1 * -1 =+1)
- The CP odd state will decay into 3 pions instead
 - $|K_2\rangle$ (CP=-1) $\rightarrow \pi\pi\pi$ (CP = -1*-1*-1 = -1)
- There is a huge difference in available phasespace between the two (~600x!) $\rightarrow$ the CP even state will decay much faster
 - Difference due to $M(K^0) \approx 3M(\pi)$
 - Δ has a large imaginary component!

$$|K_1\rangle = \frac{|K^0\rangle + |\bar{K}^0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|K_2\rangle = \frac{|K^0\rangle - |\bar{K}^0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$



What about CP-violation?



EVIDENCE FOR THE 2π DECAY OF THE K_2^0 MESON^{*†}

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 (Received 10 July 1964)

three-body decays of the K_2^0 . The presence of a two-pion decay mode implies that the K_2^0 meson is not a pure eigenstate of CP . Expressed as $K_2^0 = 2^{-1/2}[(K_0 - \bar{K}_0) + \epsilon(K_0 + \bar{K}_0)]$ then $|\epsilon|^2 \cong R_T \tau_1 \tau_2$ where τ_1 and τ_2 are the K_1^0 and K_2^0 mean lives and R_T is the branching ratio including decay to two π^0 . Using $R_T = \frac{3}{2}R$ and the branching ratio quoted above, $|\epsilon| \cong 2.3 \times 10^{-3}$.

$$|K_L\rangle = p |K^0\rangle - q |\bar{K}^0\rangle$$

$$|K_S\rangle = p |K^0\rangle + q |\bar{K}^0\rangle$$

Have a choice when 'parameterizing' K_S and K_L :

1. in terms of K^0 and $\bar{K}^0$
2. in terms of K_1 and K_2

Historically, 'kaon physics' has chosen 2, but in 'B physics' (next lectures!), the equivalent of 1 is very much dominant (as $\epsilon_B=0$, but still $q \neq 1$ & $p \neq 1$...)

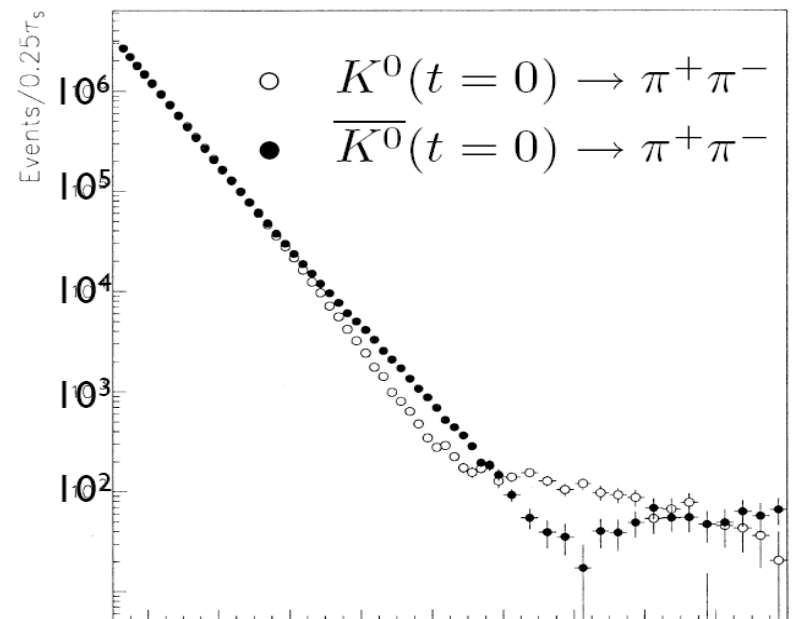
This tends to be very confusing...

$$\langle K_L | K_L \rangle \equiv 1 \Rightarrow |q|^2 + |p|^2 = 1$$

$$\text{eg. } \begin{aligned} p &= 1 + \epsilon \\ q &= 1 - \epsilon \end{aligned} \quad \text{with } |\epsilon| \ll 1$$

CP-violation with pendula

- Realisation: differences between the $\bar{K}^0$ and K^0 pendula
 - Different moments of inertia $m\ell^2$ (m and/or ℓ different)
 - **Different coupling strengths (lever arm d different)**
→ corresponds to differences of V_{td} and V_{td}^* in mixing diagram
- K_L has unequal amounts of $\bar{K}^0$ and K^0
→ wait for K_L and have a look!
- Equal amounts of $\bar{K}^0$ and K^0 evolve differently
→ former eigenmodes now develop!
(cf. CPLEar Experiment)



Is **CP** violation with pendula a perfect model?

- No!
 - all mechanical devices are **T** invariant!
 - if **CP** is violated and **T** is conserved:
→ **CPT** is violated!
- In fact, we have modelled CPT violation!

Part II: Neutrino flavor pendula



**coupled pendula
for demonstrating
3-flavor neutrino
mixing as realized in
nature**

Idea: Michael Kobel
built 2004 at Uni Bonn,
extended 2006 at TU Dresden
with variable mixing angles
and digital readout

<http://neutrinopendel.tu-dresden.de>



3-flavor neutrino mixing



$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

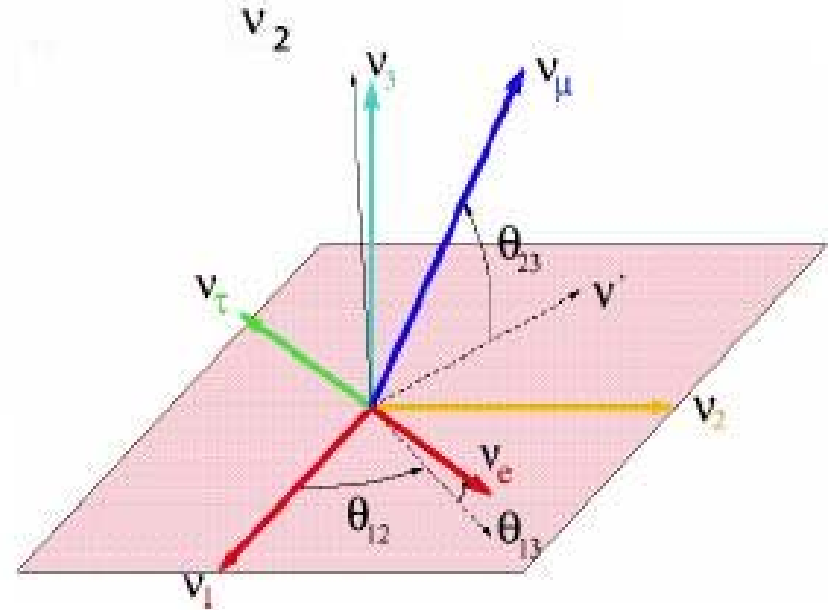
$\Theta_{\text{atmos, beam}}$

θ_{13}, δ

$\Theta_{\text{solar, reactor}}$

PMNS mixing matrix
(w/o Majorana Phases)

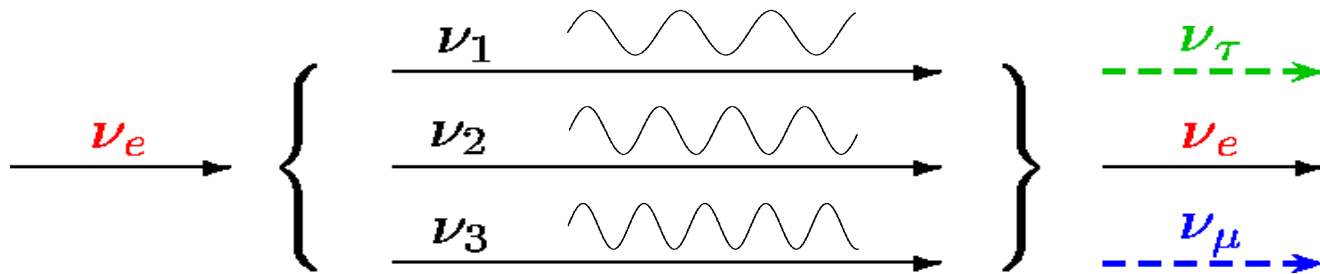
- 3 Mixing angles: $\theta_{12}, \theta_{23}, \theta_{13}$
- 1 CP-violating Dirac-Phase: δ



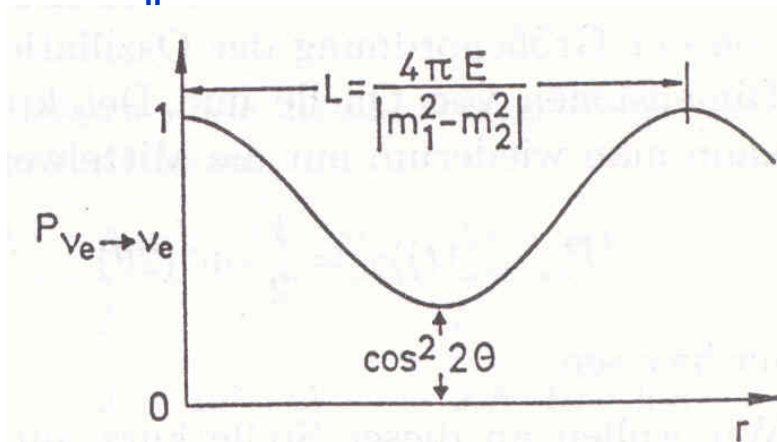
ν flavor-oscillations



- Each flavor (e.g. ν_e) is sum of mass eigenstates (ν_1, ν_2, ν_3)
- Each mass eigenstate with fixed p has a different phase frequency ω_i
 - $\exp(i\omega_i t) = \exp(iE_i t) = \exp(i(\sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2})t) \sim \exp(ipt + i\mathbf{m}_i^2 t/2p + \dots)$



- The differences $\Delta\omega_{ij} \sim |m_i^2 - m_j^2| =: \Delta m_{ij}^2$ lead to flavor oscillations
 - Δm_{ij}^2 determines the oscillation **period**
 - θ_{ij} determines the oscillation **amplitude**



$$L_{ij} = 2.5m \frac{E(\text{MeV})}{\Delta m_{ij}^2 (\text{eV}^2)}$$

Current values

cf. global fit Th.Schwetz et al., NJP 10 (2008)

$\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2,4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m_{13}^2 = 2,5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m_{12}^2 = 0,08 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$
„fast“ oscillation		„slow“ oscillation
$L_{23} = 1 \text{ km} \times E(\text{MeV})$		$L_{12} = 30 \text{ km} \times E(\text{MeV})$
$\theta_{23} = 45^\circ \pm 3^\circ$	$\theta_{13} < 11^\circ \text{ (90\% CL)}$	$\theta_{12} = 33.5^\circ \pm 1.5^\circ$

$\Theta_{\text{atmos, beam}}$

θ_{13}, δ

$\Theta_{\text{solar, reactor}}$

- consistent with so-called tri/bi-maximal mixing

$$\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$$

$$\theta_{13} = 0^\circ$$

$$\theta_{12} = 35.3^\circ$$

$$U_{\text{PMNS}} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Harrison, Perkins, Scott '99,'02
Z.Xing,'02, He, Zee, '03, Koide '03
Chang, Kang, Kim '04, Kang '04

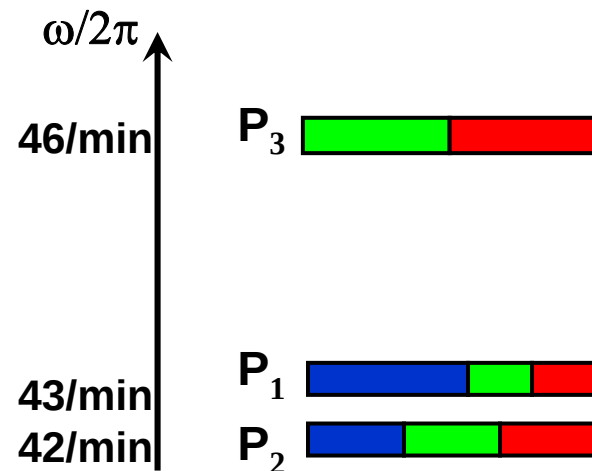
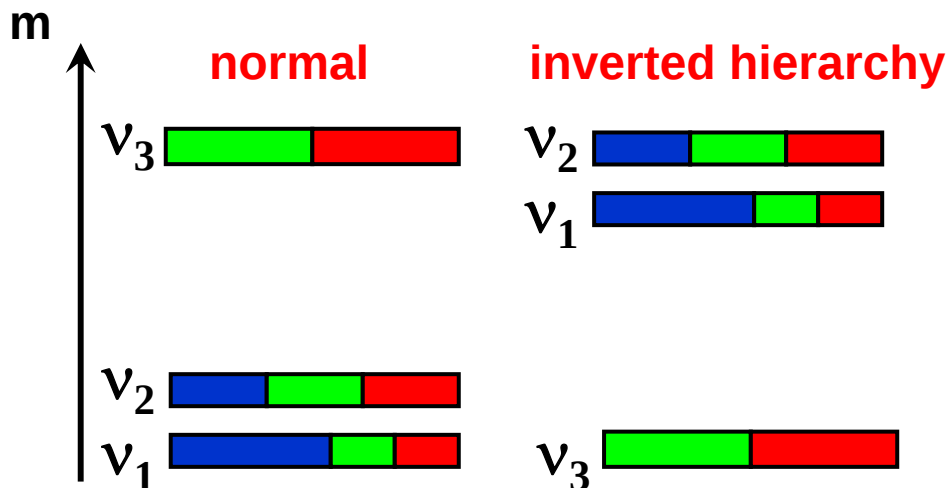
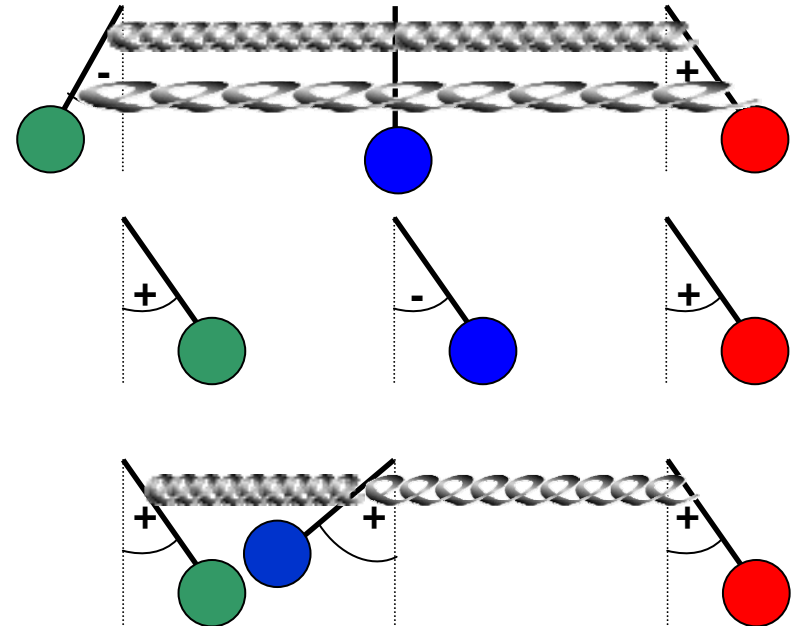
Realisation as coupled pendula



$$v_3 = (-v_\mu + v_\tau)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$v_2 = (-v_e + v_\mu + v_\tau)/\sqrt{3}$$

$$v_1 = (2v_e + v_\mu + v_\tau)/\sqrt{6}$$



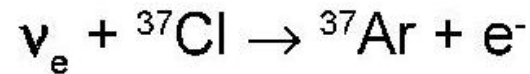
The solar neutrino „deficit“



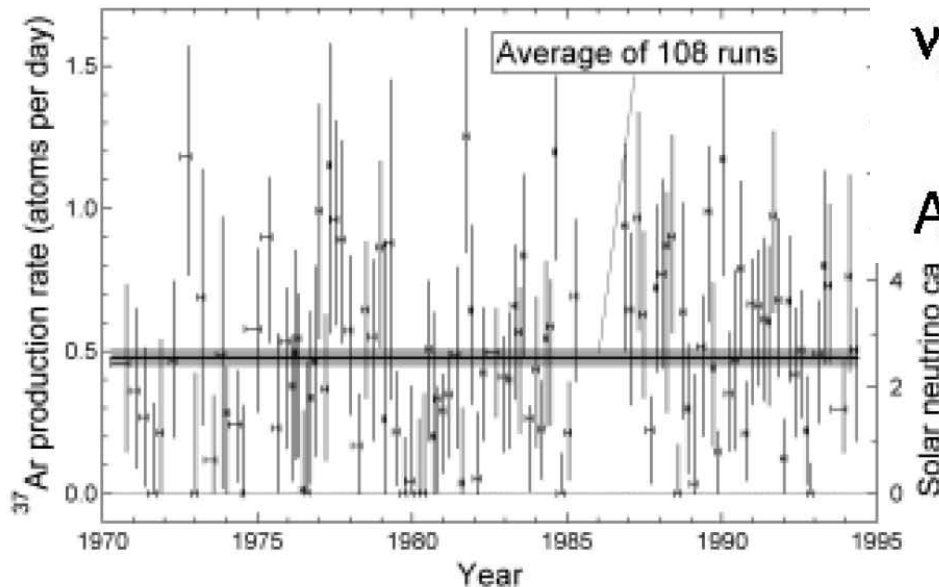
Ray Davis

Nobelpreis 2002

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Perchlorethylen
in der Homestake- Mine



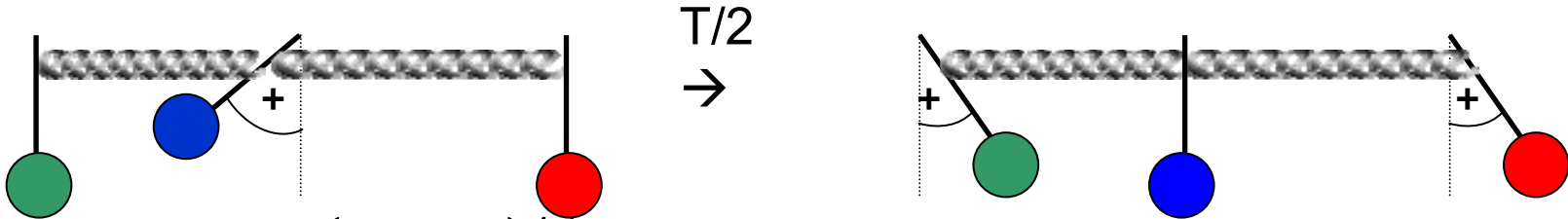
Ausspülen des ${}^{37}\text{Ar}$ (0.5 Atome/Tag)



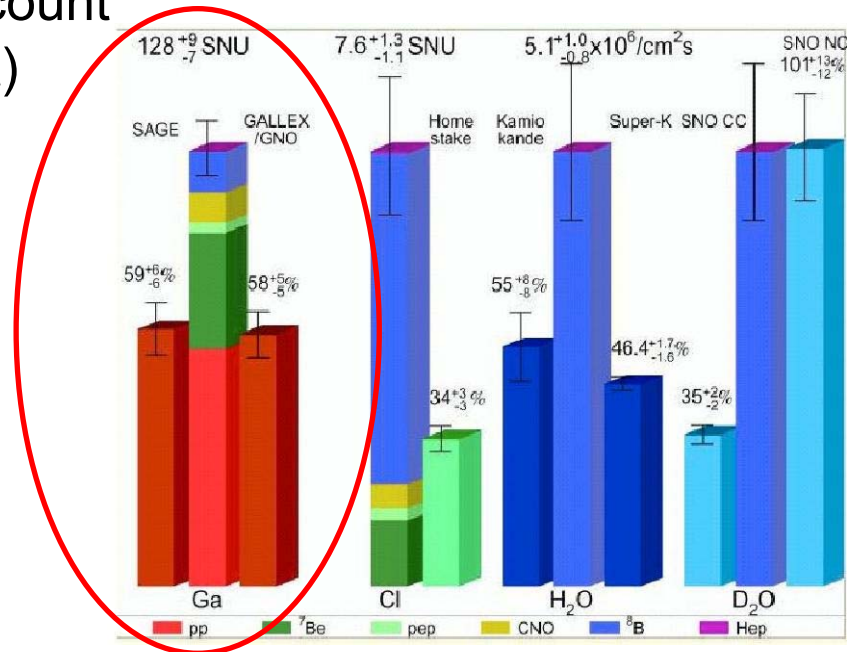
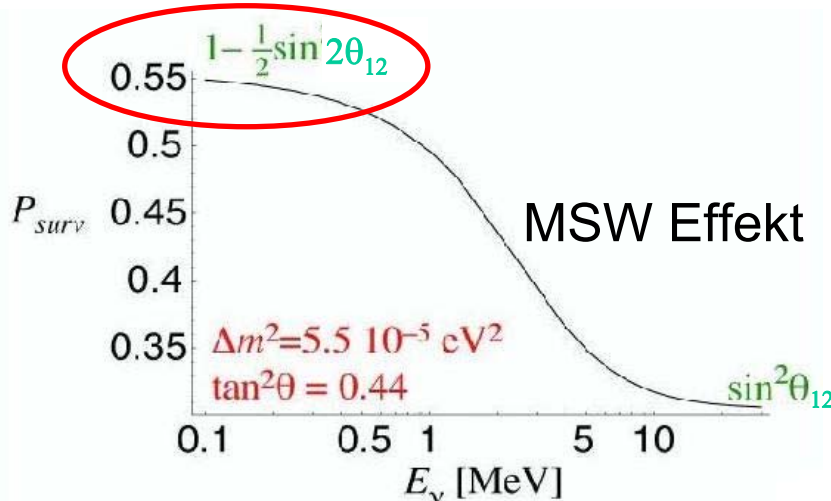
- Davis: only sensitiv to ν_e
Result: Only 30% of
expected ν_e detected

need for enhancement (MSW effect)

- nuclear fusion: 100% ν_e leave the sun (w/o MSW effect)
 $4p \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + 2e^+ + 2\nu_e + 27 \text{ MeV}$
- “slow” oscillation via Δm_{12}^2 and θ_{12} , pendula: weak coupling



- transition to $(\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)/\sqrt{2}$ not possible, since ν_e not in ν_3
- oscillation only to $(\nu_\tau + \nu_\mu)/\sqrt{2}$
- $P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) > 50\%$ since just ν_1 and ν_2 count
 $\rightarrow$ need for enhancement (MSW effect)

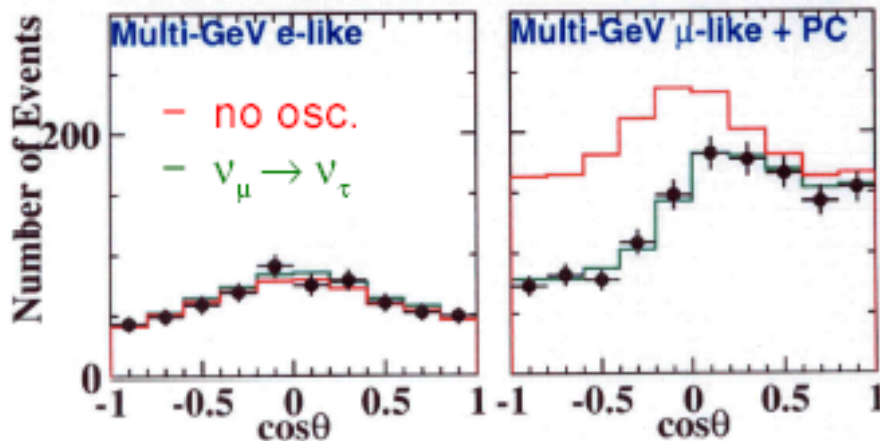
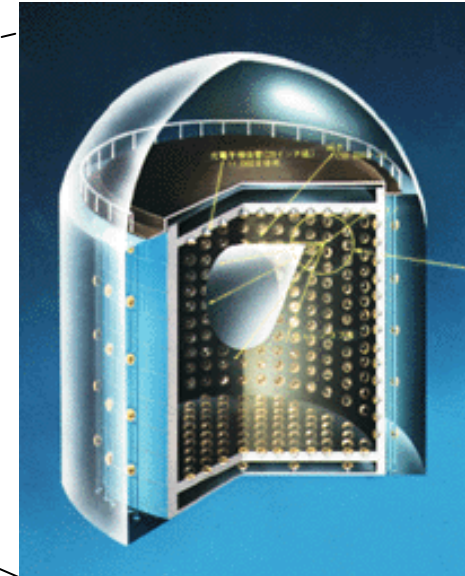
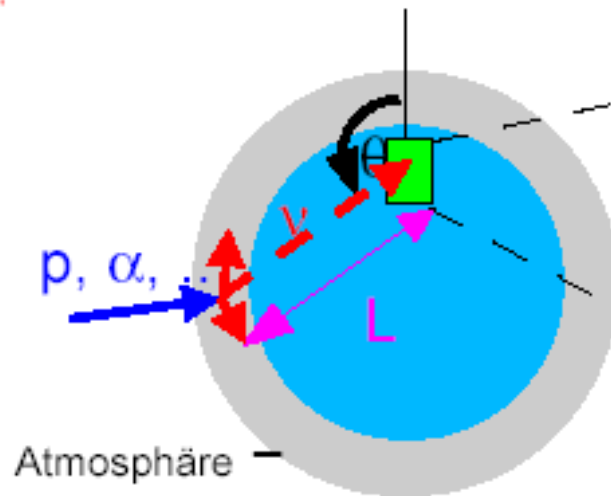


atmospheric neutrinos



$\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ und $\bar{\nu}_e$ aus π/K -Zerfällen

SuperKamioKande 2000:



(C. Mc Grew, NOON 2000, Dez.2000)

look at ν_e and ν_{μ} from air showers:

- no deficit for ν_e
- clear deficit for ν_{μ}
- fully compatible with $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$

atmospheric neutrinos



- SuperKamiokande 2000:

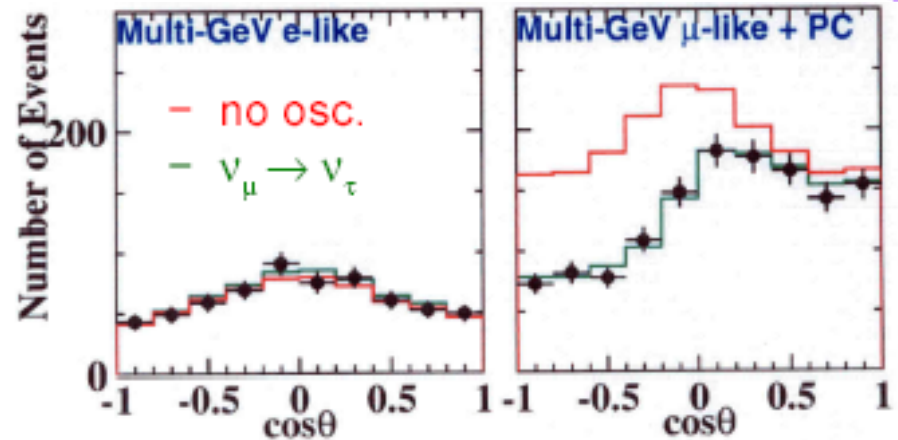
described als $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau$

- pendula:

ν_e : weak coupling to ν_μ, ν_τ

ν_μ : weak coupling to ν_e

strong coupling to ν_τ

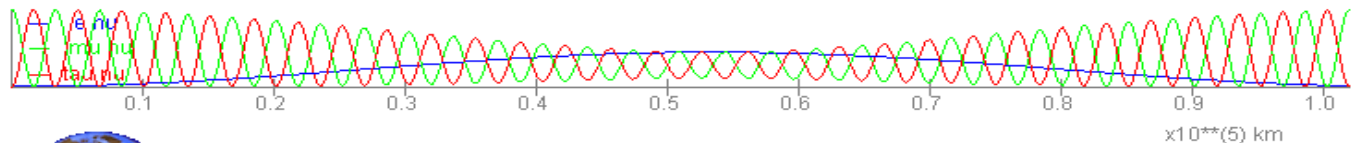


Interactive Neutrino Oscillation Laboratory

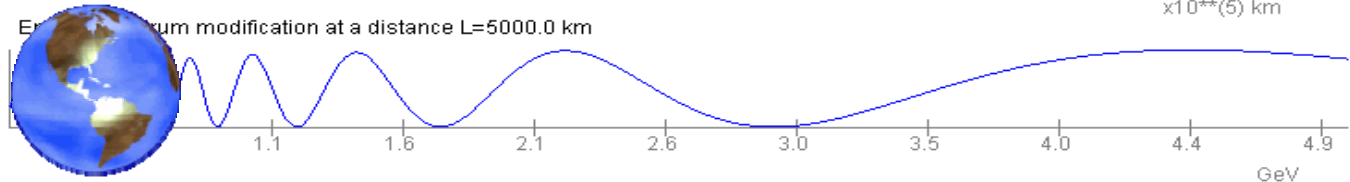
Three Generations Neutrino Oscillations

Adam Para, Fermilab

Appearance/disappearance probability as a function of distance, for $E_{\nu\mu} = 3.0$ GeV



Energy spectrum modification at a distance $L=5000.0$ km



1 = 0.166

2 = 0.333

3 = 0.500

composition of the
initial neutrino
in terms of mass eigenstates

Mixing Matrix

0.816	0.577	0.0
-0.40	0.577	0.707
0.408	-0.57	0.707

1

2

3

ν_e

ν_μ

ν_τ

$\nu_e = 0.009$

$\nu_\mu = 0$

$\nu_\tau = 0.990$

composition of the
3.0 GeV flux at 5000. km
in terms of flavor states

<http://minos.phy.bnl.gov/nu-osc-lab/Superposition1.html>

Modify θ_{23}



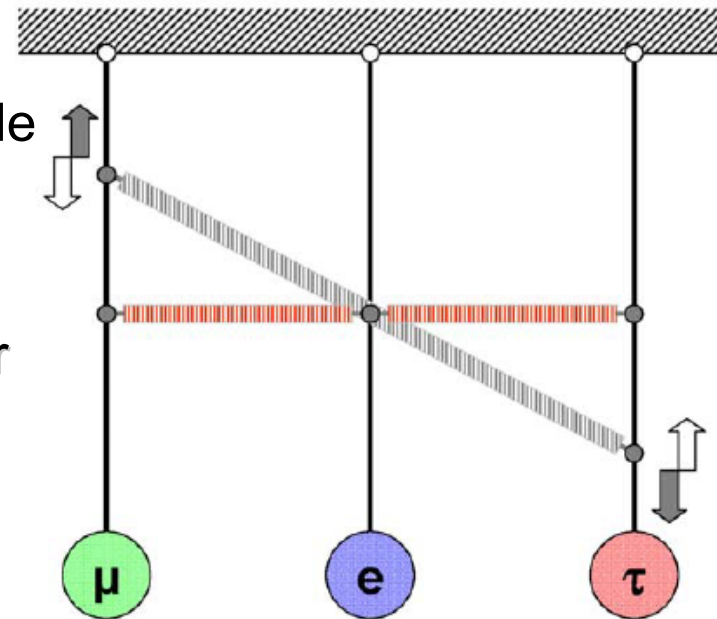
- Non-maximal mixing of ν_μ and ν_τ
- $\nu_3 = (-\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)/\sqrt{2}$ no longer eigenmode

Possible range:

$$30^\circ < \theta_{23} < 60^\circ$$

θ_{23} smaller

θ_{23} larger



- <http://neutrinoependel.tu-dresden.de>
(special high school thesis J. Pausch 2008)

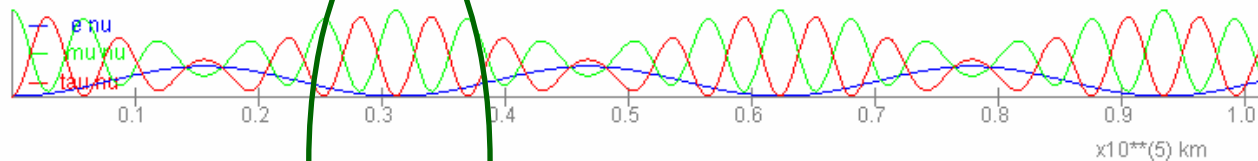


Abbildung 52: Atmosphärische Neutrino-Oszillation mit $\theta_{23} = 0,9\text{rad}$ ($51,6^\circ$), Java-Applet.

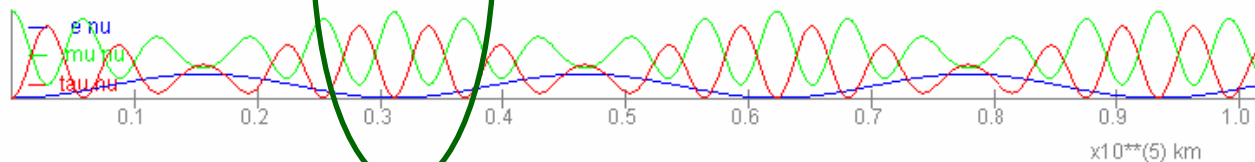


Abbildung 53: Atmosphärische Neutrino-Oszillation mit $\theta_{23} = 0,98\text{rad}$ ($56,2^\circ$), Java-Applet.

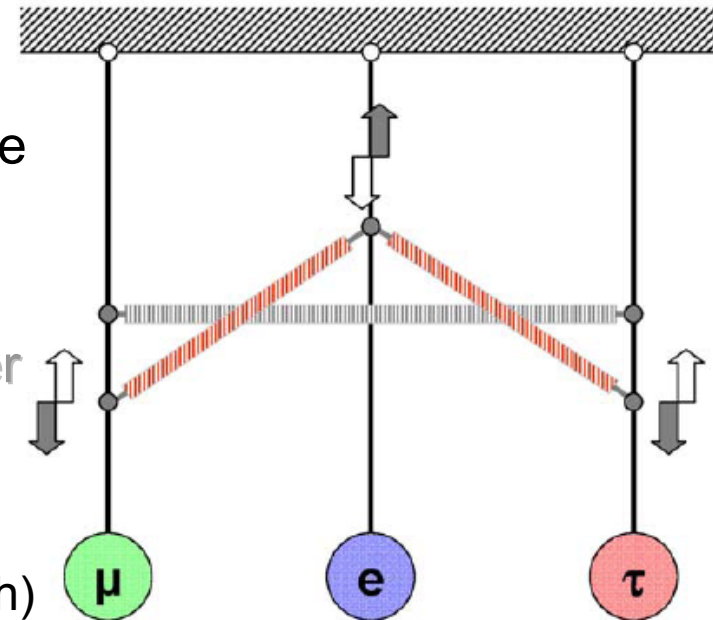
Modify θ_{12}



- Modify fraction of ν_e in ν_1 and ν_2
- $\nu_2 = (-\nu_e + \nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)/\sqrt{3}$ no longer eigenmode

Possible range:
 $20^\circ < \theta_{12} < 55^\circ$

θ_{12} smaller
 θ_{12} larger



- <http://neutrinoependel.tu-dresden.de> (J. Pausch)

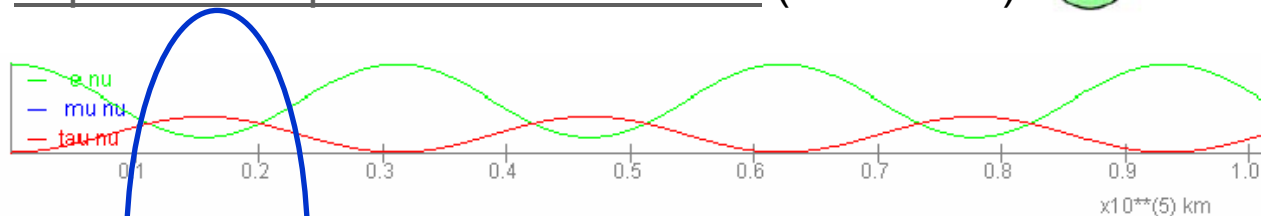


Abbildung 27: Sonnenneutrino-Oszillation mit $\theta_{12}=0,57\text{rad}$ (33°), Java-Applet.

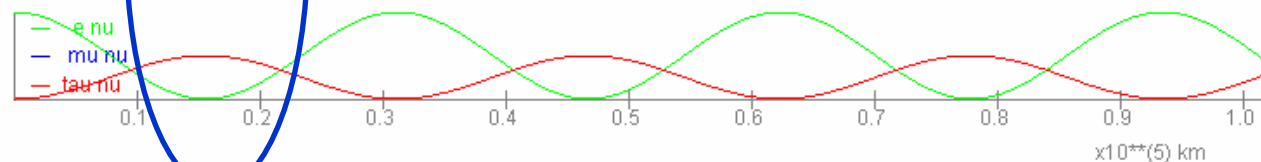


Abbildung 28: Sonnenneutrino-Oszillation mit $\theta_{12}=0,7854\text{rad}$ (45°), Java-Applet.

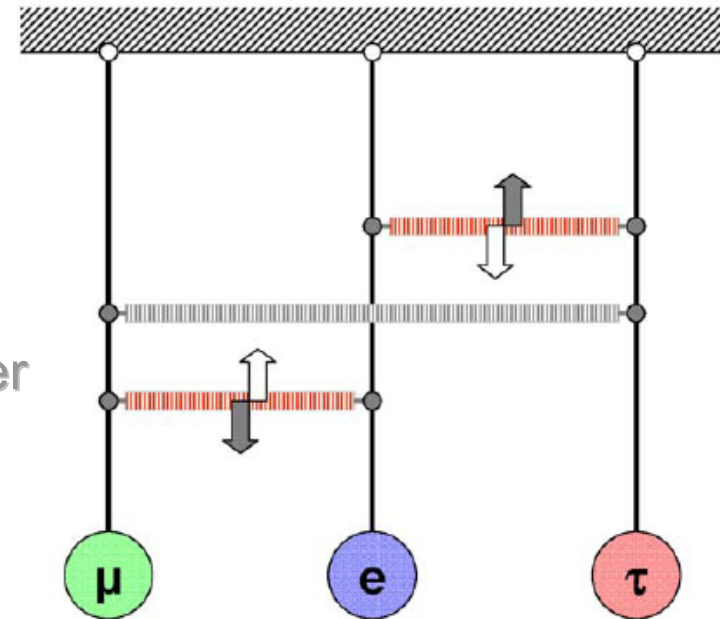
Modify θ_{13}



- ν_e present in $\nu_3 \sim (\sin\theta_{13}\nu_e - \nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)$
- ν_e can now excite $(\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)$ mode, inducing fast $\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu$ modulation

Possible range:
 $-6^\circ < \theta_{13} < 6^\circ$

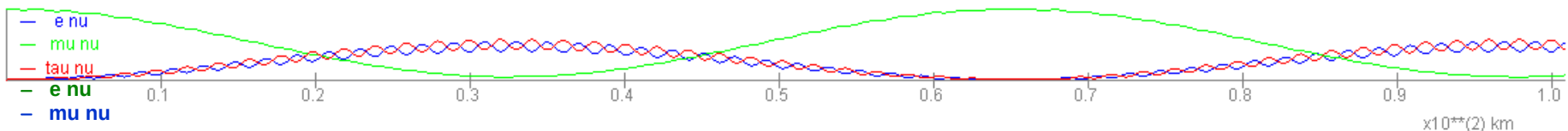
θ_{13} smaller
 θ_{13} larger



- Reactor neutrinos (2 MeV)

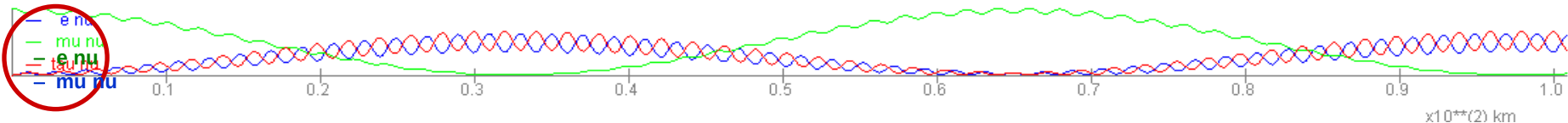
- $\sin \theta_{13} = 0.10$ ($\theta_{13} = 6^\circ$)

Appearance/disappearance probability as a function of distance, for $E_{\nu} = 0.0020$ GeV



- $\sin \theta_{13} = 0.20$ ($\theta_{13} = 12^\circ$)

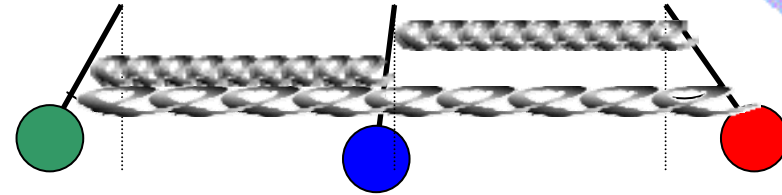
Appearance/disappearance probability as a function of distance, for $E_{\nu} = 0.0020$ GeV



Impact of θ_{13} on atmospheric ν



• $\nu_3 = (\sin\theta_{13}\nu_e - \nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)/\sqrt{2.01}$



• reactor $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance and
atmospheric $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ appearance

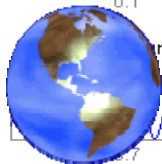
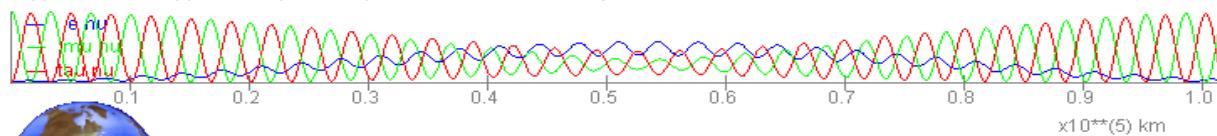
- „slow“ *directly* via Δm_{12} (weak coupling)
- „fast“ modulation via $\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu$ with Δm_{23} (strong coupling)

Interactive Neutrino Oscillation Laboratory

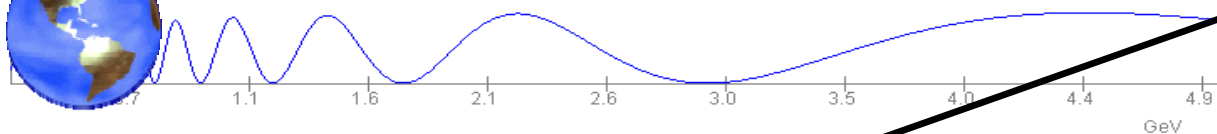
Three Generations Neutrino Oscillations

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Appearance/disappearance probability as a function of distance, for E_{nu} = 3.0 GeV



Mass modification at a distance L=5000.0 km



1 = 0.217

2 = 0.287

3 = 0.495

composition of the
initial neutrino
in terms of mass eigenstates



Mixing Matrix

0.812	0.574	0.099
-0.46	0.536	0.703
0.350	-0.61	0.703

1

2

3

e
mu
tau

e = 0.029

mu = 0

tau = 0.970

composition of the
3.0 GeV flux at 5000. km
in terms of flavor states



$$\theta_{13} = 6^\circ$$

$$\sin \theta_{13} = 0.1$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04$$

Are neutrino pendula a perfect model?



- Few “features”

- Need “creative” sign convention, leading to
- imperfection for understanding sequence of masses
- imperfection for $\theta_{23} \neq 45^\circ$
 - some $(\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)$ present in ν_1 and ν_2
 - but $\nu_e \rightarrow (\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)$ still not possible!

- Else perfect!

The END !