Beam Target Optimization for

DAE⁶ALUS

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Decay At-rest **Experiment for** δ_{cp} studies At the Laboratory for Underground **Science**

U =

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\mathbf{0}} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\mathbf{\delta}} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\mathbf{\delta}} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\mathbf{\delta}} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\mathbf{\delta}} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\alpha_1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$P_{osc}\left(\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \to \bar{\nu}_{e}\right) =$

 $(\sin^2\theta_{23}\sin^22\theta_{13}) (\sin^2\Delta_{31})$ $+\sin\delta (\sin2\theta_{13}\sin2\theta_{23}\sin2\theta_{12}) (\sin^2\Delta_{31}\sin\Delta_{21})$ $+\cos\delta (\sin2\theta_{13}\sin2\theta_{23}\sin2\theta_{12}) (\sin\Delta_{31}\cos\Delta_{31}\sin\Delta_{21})$ $+ (\cos^2\theta_{23}\sin^22\theta_{12}) (\sin^2\Delta_{21})$

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[in vacuum!]

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 δ_{CP}

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Sign change u VS. alpha

[in vacuum]

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Sign change ν vs. $\bar{\nu}$

Dependence on distance from source

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[in vacuum]

 δ_{CP}

Measuring Effect of δ_{CP} On Oscillations

Traditional Method

- Compare neutrino and anti-neutrino measurement
- Use high energy neutrinos
- \hookrightarrow Long oscillation wavelength

 \hookrightarrow Matter effects

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DAEδALUS's Approach

Utilize distance dependence of probability.

Measure flux at 3 distances:

Initial constraint, rise, and maximum.



DAEδALUS - Design

3 sources, 1 detector Each source:

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Two material target





Target Geometry



Graphite needs to be thin enough for pions to enter copper before decaying. *Competing effects*.

Thickness of GRPH determined by simulation.
+ Optimal thickness ~80 cm (interaction length)
Further shaping deduced from heat transfer analysis.

+ Pion production is our figure of merit. Gives us our neutrinos.+ Want to compare simulation output to experimental values.

Compare:

Pions per **interacting** proton.

 $\sigma_{pion}/\sigma_{inelast}$

[simulation]

[experimental]

- + Tricky to compare.
- + We do not have σ_{pion} and $\sigma_{inelast}$ cross-sections at SAME energies!

<u>To get</u> $\sigma_{pion}/\sigma_{inelast}$ for Experimental Data:

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \rightarrow \mbox{Interpolate} & \sigma_{pion} & \mbox{and errors} \\ \rightarrow & \mbox{Interpolate} & \sigma_{inelast} & \mbox{and errors} \\ \rightarrow & \mbox{Divide interpolations and propagate} & \mbox{interpolated errors to get ratio.} \end{tabular}$

 π^+ per Interacting Proton vs. Proton Energy



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Plot by Adrien Houlier



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Example of Shaping wrt to heat transfer analysis



Pion production xsection



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π^{+} per Interacting Proton vs. Proton Energy (MARS)



