

# $\bar{\nu}e$ elastic scattering in SBL

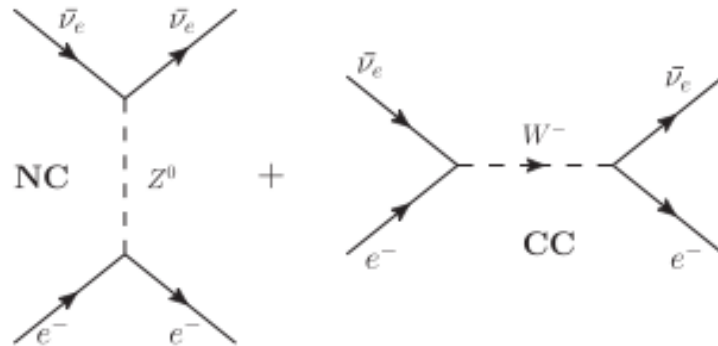
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# Why $\bar{\nu}e$ elastic scattering is important ? (I)

- In S.M., it's very well known process:



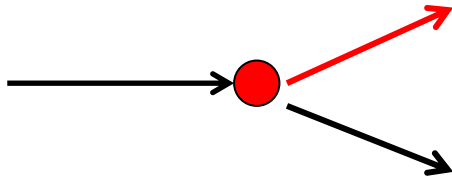
- Suppose that anti-nu from reactor changes to the 4<sup>th</sup> neutrino.

**Then, that neutrino may have very tiny neutral current or no interaction at all with electron.**

- This process may provide an extra check for Nu-oscillation analysis.
- Possible measurement of  $\sin^2\theta_W$

# How do we measure $\sin^2\theta_W$ ? (I)

- The differential cross-section for Nu-e elastic scattering at the laboratory frame is given by



$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{dT}(\bar{\nu}_e e) \right]_{\text{SM}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_e}{2\pi} \cdot \left[ (g_V - g_A)^2 + (g_V + g_A + 2)^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \left( 1 - \frac{T}{E_\nu} \right)^2 - (g_V - g_A)(g_V + g_A + 2) \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{m_e T}{E_\nu^2} \right]. \quad (3)$$

**T:** kinetic energy of recoil electron  
(visible energy in your detector)

**$E_\nu$ :** Incident neutrino energy

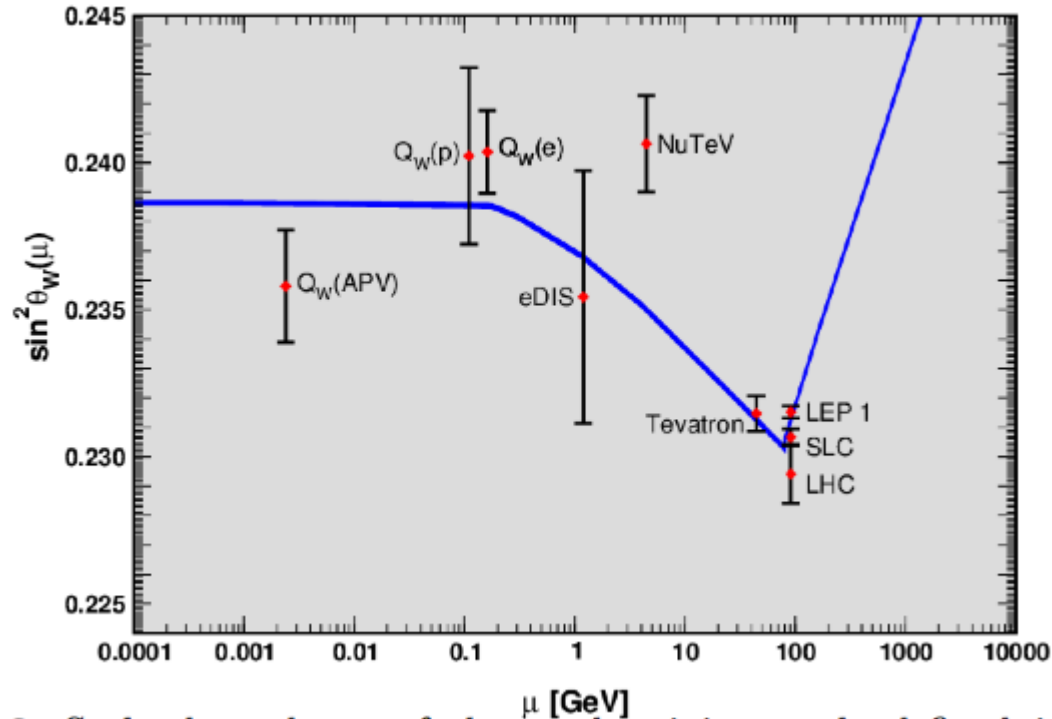
**$g_V = -1/2 + 2 \sin^2\theta_W$ ,  $g_A = -1/2$**

$$T \leq \frac{2(E_\nu)^2}{2E_\nu + m_e}$$

$$\frac{G_F^2 m_e}{2\pi} = 4.1 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ MeV}^{-1}$$

# How do we measure $\sin^2\theta_W$ ? (II)

- The results for  $\sin^2\theta_W$  in PDG.



$$\sin^2\theta_W = 0.23867 \pm 0.00016 \text{ at } \mu < 0.01 \text{ GeV}$$

- TEXONO measured with CsI crystals of 187 kg.

$$\sin^2\theta_W = 0.251 \pm 0.031 \pm 0.024$$

# How do we measure $\sin^2\theta_w$ ? (III)

- We have an advantage:
  - Using IBD events, we have a good estimation of Nu-flux without the reactor simulation.
- Estimation of No. of events for the target L.S. of 500 kg:  
 $X_{\text{sec}} = 3 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$   
 $N_\nu = 1.7 \times 10^{12} / \text{cm}^2 / \text{s}$ ,  $N_e = 6 / \text{molecule (LS:CH}_2)$   
 $N_{\text{evt}} = 3 \times 10^{-45} \times 1.7 \times 10^{12} \times 6 \times (500 \times 10^3 / 14) \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \times 10^7$   
 $\sim 6,500 \text{ events/yr}$

# How do we measure $\sin^2\theta_W$ ? (III)

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- **To select the nu-e events:**
  - The scattered electrons in the target are deposited the energy inside the target.
  - Require the energy trigger,  $> 3$  MeV, in the target. (There is no delayed signal.)
  - Select the signal candidates with PSD.
  - Background estimation with reactor off data.

# X-sec. for nu-e elastic scattering (I)

- For CC and N.C

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{dT}(\bar{\nu}_e e) \right]_{\text{SM}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_e}{2\pi} \cdot \left[ (g_V - g_A)^2 + (g_V + g_A + 2)^2 \right. \\ \times \left( 1 - \frac{T}{E_\nu} \right)^2 - (g_V - g_A)(g_V + g_A + 2) \\ \left. \times \frac{m_e T}{E_\nu^2} \right]. \quad (3)$$

- For only N.C.,

$$\left[ \frac{d\sigma}{dT}(\bar{\nu}_\mu e) \right]_{\text{SM}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_e}{2\pi} \cdot \left[ (g_V \pm g_A)^2 + (g_V \mp g_A)^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \left( 1 - \frac{T}{E_\nu} \right)^2 - (g_V^2 - g_A^2) \frac{m_e T}{E_\nu^2} \right], \quad (2)$$

**Note: Lower sign refers to anti-nu.**

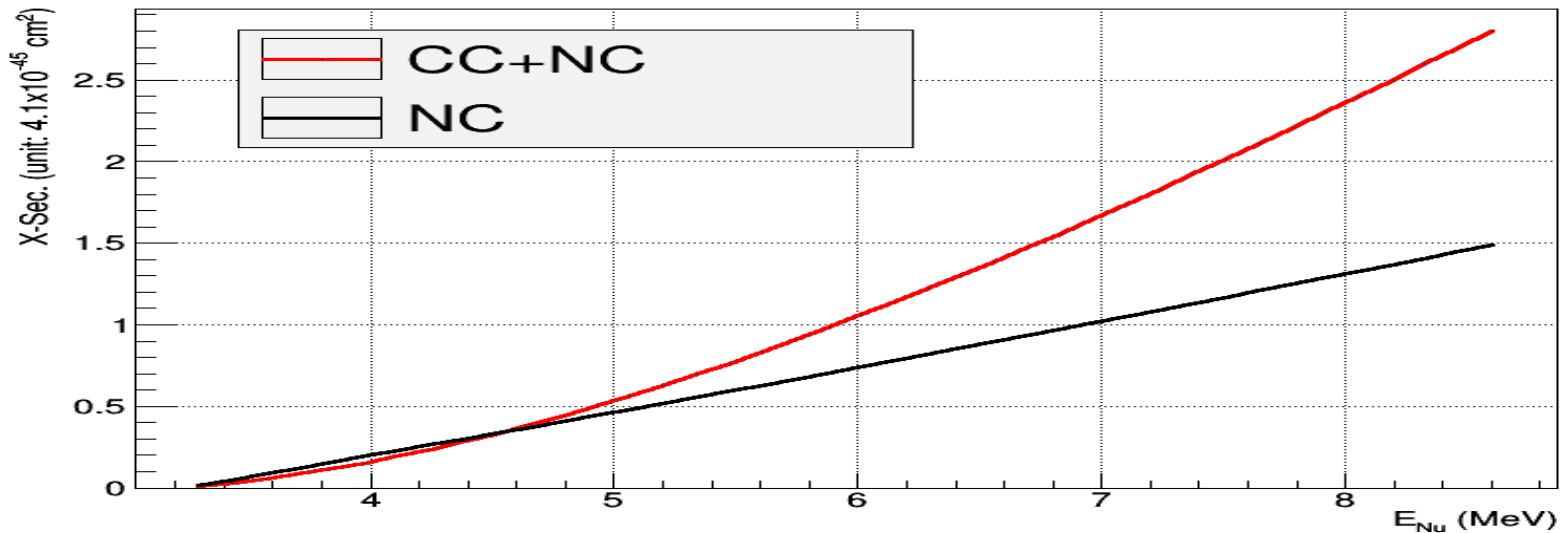
**- Conservatively the 4<sup>th</sup> Nu has very tiny N.C. interaction.**

# X-sec. for nu-e elastic scattering (II)

- X-sec as function of incident Nu energy:

$$\sigma(E_\nu) = \int_{T_{min}}^{T_{max}} dT \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \quad T_{max} = \frac{2(E_\nu)^2}{2E_\nu + m_e}$$

$T_{min} = 3$  MeV (To suppress the backgrounds, U/Th and etc.)



If there is Nu-Osc, we may measure smaller X-sec. than S.M.



# Summary

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- The weak mixing angle is one of well measured process.
  - We may use this process another check for analyses.
- It will be interesting to measure the weak mixing angle with  $\nu$ -e elastic scattering.  
**Possible topic for PhD student**
- If the measured X-sec. is different from the S.M. in a certain Nu energy, it's a new physics.