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# NEUTRINO PHYSICS WG REPORT LASF4RI PREPARATORY GROUP

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July 6-10, 2020 (by videoconference)

### OUTLINE

- 1. WHITE PAPERS SUBMITTED.
- 2. NEUTRINO PHYSICS SESSION IN THIS SYMPOSIUM.
- 3. THE GLOBAL NEUTRINO PHYSICS CONTEXT AND CHALLENGES.
- 4. CAPABILITIES ON NEUTRINO PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY (LATINAMERICA).
- 5. SUMMARY (IDENTIFIED).
- 6. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS (NEUTRINO PHYSICS WG).

### WHITE PAPERS SUBMITTED



You're out there somewhere neutrino physicists ... and we'll find you !



#### NUMBER OF WHITE PAPERS FOR NEUTRINO PHYSICS PER COUNTRY

Country	Experimental [Exp]	Theory [The]	Total [Exp+The]	
Argentina	3	0	3	
Colombia	2	1	3	
Ecuador	1	0	1	
Brazil	6	1	7	
Peru	1	0	1	
		Total	15	

- Total countries in Latinamerica: 20
- Latinamerica countries represented in LASF4RI (neutrinos): 5+1+1+1
- Ratio (representation):
- Total neutrino white papers submitted to LASF4RI: 15
- Total of experimental white papers:
- Total of theory white papers:

13 (86.6%) 2 (13.3%)



0.4 (40%)

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### **NEUTRINO PHYSICS SESSION IN THIS SYMPOSIUM**

#### Tuesday July 7 Chair: R. Rosenfeld

10:30-11:00	Plenary II: Neutrinos (Yepes)
11:00-11:10 11:10-11:20 Wolf.	Hyper-Kamiokande: Possible Contributions from Latin America, H. Nunokawa An Andean Deep-Valley Detector for High-Energy Tau Neutrinos, A. Romero-
11:20-11:30	Coherent Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering Experiment (CONNIE), I.Nasteva.
11:30-11:40	DUNE in the Report on LASF4RI: the Colombian case, D. Moreno.
11:40-11:50	Latin America Contribution to JUNO, P. Chimenti.
11:50-12:00 Moroni.	Short baseline neutrino experiment in nuclear reactors in Argentina, G.
12:00-12:10	The ANDES Deep Underground Laboratory, X. Bertou
12:10-12:20	Neutrino White Paper, E. Segreto.
12:20-13:05	Discussion

#### Ample time for a global-joint discussion at the end of the session $\odot$

**NEUTRINO PROPERTIES (BASICS):** 

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Neutrino mixing is governed by the PMNS mixing matrix which relates the mass eigenstates to the flavor eigenstates:

Flavor Eigenstates 
$$\begin{pmatrix} v_{e} \\ v_{\mu} \\ v_{\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu 1} & U_{\mu 2} & U_{\mu 3} \\ U_{\tau 1} & U_{\tau 2} & U_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \end{pmatrix}$$
 Mass Eigenstates  
PMNS Mixing Matrix

In the simplest approximation, the probability that a neutrino, which started out as a  $v_{\alpha}$ , is detected as a  $v_{\beta}$  is given by:

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta}) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( \Delta m_{ij}^2 L/4E_{\nu} \right)^* \quad \Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

\* This two neutrino approximation gives a serviceable representation of the data that we have so far, but going forward it will no longer be a sufficient.

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The PMNS mixing matrix is constructed as the product of three independent rotations (a unitary matrix with three mixing angles and one phase):

$$U_{PMNS} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta_{23} & \sin\theta_{23} \\ 0 & -\sin\theta_{23} & \cos\theta_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{13} & 0 & e^{i\delta} \sin\theta_{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -e^{i\delta} \sin\theta_{13} & 0 & \cos\theta_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{12} & \sin\theta_{12} & 0 \\ -\sin\theta_{12} & \cos\theta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
Atmospheric Reactor Solar

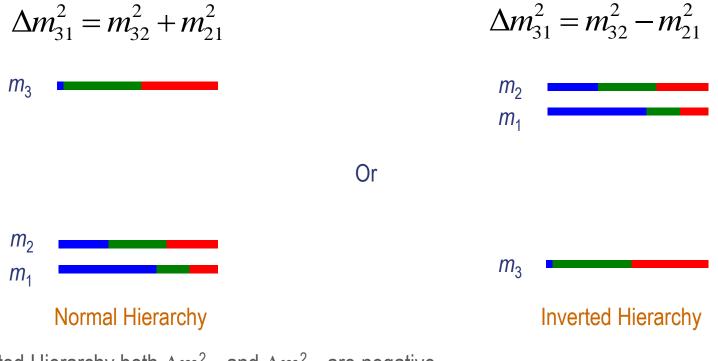
Such that:

$$\mathbf{U}_{\text{PMNS}} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & e^{i\delta}s_{13} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - e^{i\delta}s_{13}c_{12}s_{23} & c_{12}c_{23} - e^{i\delta}s_{13}s_{12}s_{23} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - e^{i\delta}s_{13}c_{12}c_{23} & -c_{12}s_{23} - e^{i\delta}s_{13}s_{12}c_{23} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

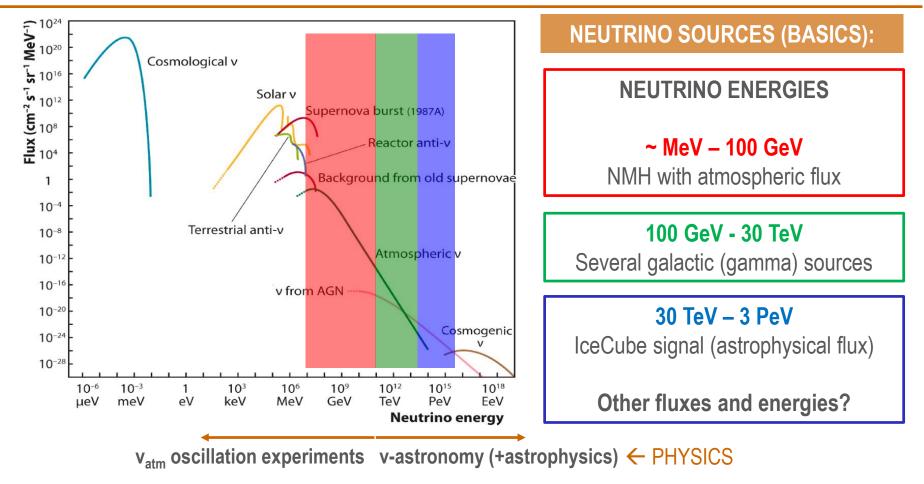
The three mixing angles have all been measured, but the CP violating phase,  $\delta$ , is still unknown

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In addition to the four mixing matrix parameters, there are two independent  $\Delta m^2$  scales ( $\Delta m^2_{21}$  and  $\Delta m^2_{32}$ )



In the Inverted Hierarchy both  $\Delta m_{31}^2$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^2$  are negative.

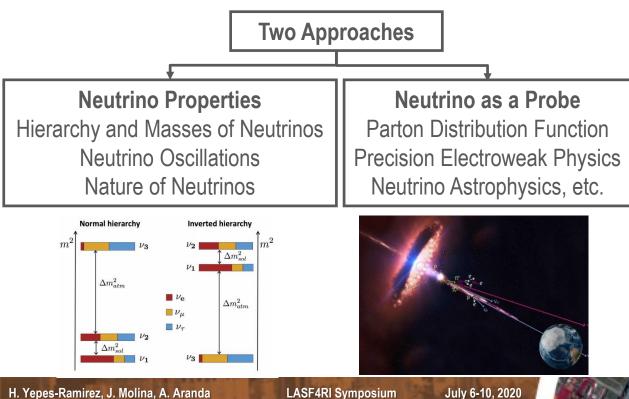


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higher densities larger volumes

#### WHAT IS THE BEST WAY FOR ADDRESSING THIS PROPERLY?

**Neutrino Science open** <u>questions</u>  $\rightarrow$  Phenomenology.





- Neutrino Mass Hierarchy (NMH): Normal or Inverted?
- Is there CP-violation in neutrino mixing?
- Are neutrinos their own antiparticle? (Dirac Vs Majorana)
- How many neutrinos are there? (Sterile neutrinos?)
- What is the absolute neutrino mass scale?
- Astrophysical neutrinos?

#### WHAT IS THE BEST WAY FOR ADDRESSING THIS PROPERLY?

2. Neutrino Science open <u>solutions</u>  $\rightarrow$  Experiments (running, CDR's, TDRs).

**Neutrino Oscillations:** NMH, CP-violation, Sterile Neutrinos

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay: [\*] Dirac Vs Majorana, NMH, Absolute Neutrino Mass

**Direct Mass Measurements:** [\*] Absolute Neutrino Mass

**Neutrino Telescopes:** Astrophysical Neutrinos

**Neutrino Cross Section:** Natural and artificial neutrino factories



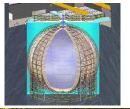


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3. Neutrino Technology and Instrumentation  $\rightarrow$  Experimental techniques.

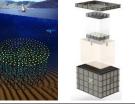








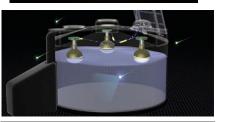
Scintillation and Hybrid Detectors



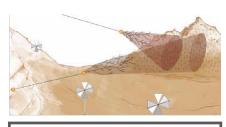




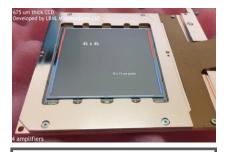
FOUR experimental techniques for addressing most of the scientific questions in Neutrino Science



Water Cherenkov Detectors







Silicon Pixelated Detectors

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4. Neutrino S&T coupling to global strategies  $\rightarrow$  e.g., LA – US – EU.

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#### Topical groups

- NF01: Neutrino Oscillations
- NF02: Sterile Neutrinos
- NF03: BSM
- NF04: Neutrinos from natural sources
- NF05: Neutrino properties
- NF06: Neutrino Interaction Cross Sections
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- NF07: Applications
- NF08: Theory of Neutrino Physics
- NF09: Artificial Neutrino Sources
- NF10: Neutrino Detectors

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United States (US)



The highest scientific priorities identified in this update are the study of the <u>Higgs boson</u> - a unique particle that raises scientific profound questions about the fundamental laws of nature - and the exploration of the highenergy frontier. These are two crucial and complementary ways to address the open questions in particle physics.

The successful completion of the <u>High-Luminosity LHC</u> in the coming decade, for which upgrade work is currently in progress at CERN, should remain the focal point of European particle physics. The strategy emphasises the importance of anonjing up research and development (R&D) for advanced accelerator, detector and computing technologies, as a necessary prerequisite for all future projects. Delivering the near and longterm future research programme envisaged in this Strategy update requires both focused and transformational R&D, which also has many potential benefits to society.

The document also highlights the need to pursue an electron-positron collider acting as a "Higgs factory" as the highest-priority facility after the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). The Higgs boson was discovered at CERN in 2012 by scientists working on the LHC, and is expected to be a powerful tool to look for physics beyond the Standard Model. Such a machine would produce copious amounts of Higgs bosons in a very clean environment, would make dramatic progress in mapping the diverse interactions of the Higgs boson with other particles and would form an essential part of a rich research programme, allowing measurements of extremely high precision. Operation of this future collider at CERN could begin within a timescale of less than 10 years after the full exploitation of the High-Luminosity LHC, which is expected to complete operations in 2018.

The exploration of significantly higher energies than the LHC will allow new discoveries to be made and the answers to existing mysteries, such as the <u>nature of dark matter</u>, to potentially be found. In acknowledgement of the fact that the particle physics community is ready to prepare for the next step towards even higher energies and smaller scales, another significant recommendation of the Strategy is that Europe, in collaboration with the worldwide community, should undertake a technical and financial feasibility study for a next-generation hadron collider at the highest achievable energy, with an electron-positron collider as a possible first stage.

It is further recommended that Europe continue to support neutrino projects in Japan and the US. Cooperation with neighbouring fields is also important, such as astroparticle and nuclear physics, as well as continued collaboration with non-European countries.

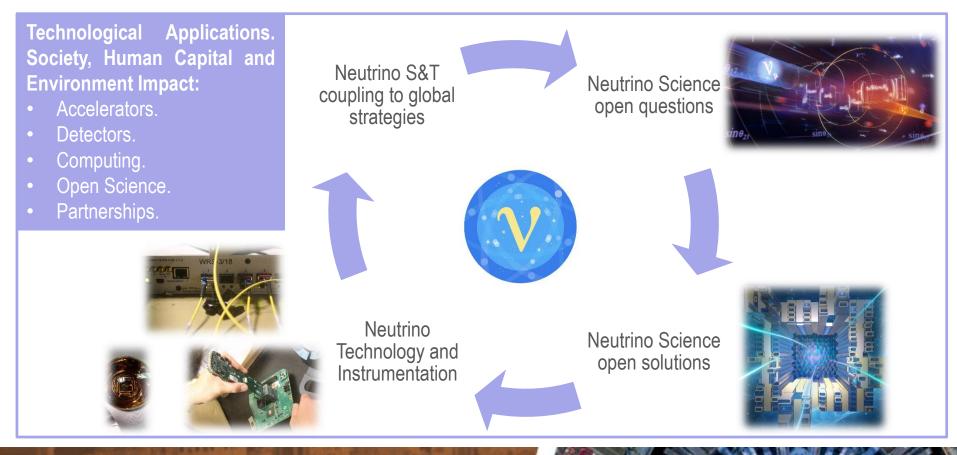
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#### THE BEST WAY FOR ADDRESSING THIS SHOULD FOLLOW, INTEGRALLY:



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#### LA SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL IDENTIFIED CAPABILITIES:

Scintillation and Hybrid Detectors

- Scintillation Detectors  $\rightarrow$  Noble elements: gas, liquid, solid, dual phase.
- Hybrid Detectors  $\rightarrow$  e.g., Scintillation + Cherenkov, as in NOvA.



The light/charge readout as result of the light/charge response of the detection medium (LAr, GXe,  $C_xH_y$  compounds, sea water, purified water, ice, salt, air, etc.), is performed by a synchronized performance of SiPMs, PMTs, WLS, electronics, etc.

#### JUNO – Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory:



- Underground Liquid Scintillator (Linear Alkyl Benzen), ~ 20 kton of active mass.
- Located 53 km away from two of the ten nuclear reactor units of the Yangjiang (4 cores) and Taishan (6 cores) nuclear facilities (35.8 MW thermal power in total) in Southern China (Kaiping, Jiangmen).

### Physics program (in a nutshell):

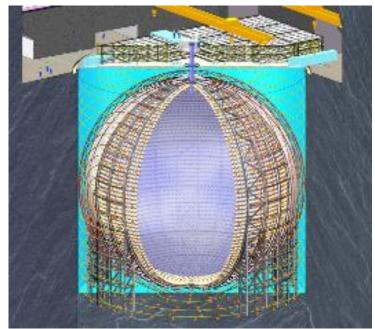
- NMH determination.
- Precision of oscillation parameters ( $\theta_{12}$  and  $\Delta m_{21}^2$ , solar).
- Supernova neutrinos.
- Solar neutrinos.
- Geo neutrinos.
- BSM processes: proton decay.

**LA contributions:** aimed to provide a better control on the systematic uncertainties on energy measurements.

#### Hardware:

- sPMT (~25k 3-inches small PMTs) subsystem.
- Under Water Boxes "UWB".
- High-Voltage Splitters "HVS".

#### JUNO Status. Yue Meng. Neutrino 2020. June 22 - July 02.



#### Software :

- ABC board simulation.
- Data analysis.



DUNE: Progress and Physics. Mooney, Michael. Neutrino 2020. June 22 - July 02.

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### **DUNE – Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment:**

- 1300 km baseline (FERMILAB-to-SURF).
- Large (70 kton) LAr TPC Far Detector (FD) 1.5 km underground.
- Near Detector (ND) with LAr component.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Oscillations ( $v_{\mu}/v_{\mu}^{-}$  disappearance,  $v_{e}/v_{e}^{-}$  appearance):  $\delta_{CP}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$  and NMO.
- Supernova neutrinos
- BSM processes: baryon number violation, NSI, etc.

#### LA contributions: aimed to PDS, MC and SM-BSM.

#### Hardware:

- PDS of the DUNE FD (X-ARAPUCA).
- Readout electronics (DAPHNE) for SiPM.



<u>Software</u> : MC simulations for DUNE and SBND (light production and propagation).

### Physics :

BSM, NSI, Dark Matter and Supernova Neutrinos.

Cross-section measurements with NOvA. Cremonesi, Linda. Neutrino 2020. June 22 - July 02.

#### <u>NOVA – NuMI Off-axis v<sub>e</sub> Appearance:</u>

- 810 km baseline (FERMILAB-to-Minnesota).
- 300 metric-ton ND (1 km from NuMI beam) and 14 metric-kiloton FD.
- Detectors made up of 344k cells of plastic PVC filled with liquid scintillator.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Cross-sections in neutrino or antineutrino-mode (inclusive and exclusive channels).
- Oscillations ( $v_{\mu} \rightarrow v_{e}$ ): detectors provide excellent imaging of both  $v_{\mu}$  and  $v_{e}$  CC events: NMH,  $\delta_{CP}$ , and precise determination of  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^{2}$ .
- **LA contributions:** aimed to Cross-sections and Oscillations data.

#### Physics:

Data analysis and reduction of uncertainties: axial masses, final state interactions, random phase approximation and the 2p2h model.





### LA SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL IDENTIFIED CAPABILITIES:

#### Water Cherenkov Detectors

**KM3NeT** 

#### KM3NeT – KM<sup>3</sup> Neutrino Telescope:

Neutrinos in the Mediterranean Sea. Samtleben, Dorothea. Neutrino 2020. June 22 - July 02.

- Multidisciplinary Neutrino Observatory at the abyss of the Mediterranean Sea.
- Two locations (FR, IT), two detector layouts, same technology: ARCA (sparser, Astrophysical Neutrinos) and ORCA (denser, Atmospheric Neutrinos).
- Ongoing scaling: 31 PMTs / DOM, 18 DOMs / DU, 2x115 1x115 DUs.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Discovery and subsequent study of medium/high-energy cosmic neutrino sources.
- NMH, Oscillation Parameters ( $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^2$ ),  $\delta_{CP}$ , tau-neutrino appearance, BSM, NSI, tomography.

**LA contributions:** aimed to calibration and physics data analysis (astrophysical, atmospherics).

<u>Calibration:</u> positioning (digital compasses, acoustic positioning system), time/optical (PMTs, light sources). <u>Physics:</u> sources (TXS 0506+056 Blazar), oscillations (Neutrino Tomography).

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## **CAPABILITIES ON NEUTRINO PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY**

Hyper-Kamiokande. Ishitsuka, Masaki. Neutrino 2020. June 22 - July 02.

#### <u>Hyper KamiokaNDE – Hyper Kamioka Nucleon Decay Experiment:</u>

- Evolution of Super-Kamiokande (discovery of neutrino oscillations) + JPARC.
- Well established technology and atmospheric / solar / LBL searches.
- Under construction: running starting at 2027.

### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Extended search for proton decay (Super Kamiokande world best limits).
- Neutrino astrophysics (Sun, Supernovaes).
- Precision of oscillation parameters (all mixing angles and  $\Delta m_{s}^{2}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\Delta m_{32}^{2}$ ),  $\delta_{CP}$ , NMH, BSM.

### **LA contributions:** aimed to theoretical contributions

#### Physics:

Neutrino oscillation phenomenology and astrophysics, BSM, sterile, NSI, neutrino decay scenarios.





An Andean Deep-Valley Detector for High-Energy Tau Neutrinos. Andres Romero-Wolf et al. https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.06475.

#### An Andean Deep-Valley Detector for HighEnergy Tau Neutrinos (TAMBO):

- Innovative concept for Tau Neutrino astronomy based on EAS.
- Array of small Detectors (~22k), each of ~1 m<sup>3</sup> volume, distanced by ~100 m on the mountain slope. Well established technology.
- Increased sensitivity: still angular uncertainty for flat ground arrays is rather large. Challenge: separation between components of the two cascades.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

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- Determine whether high-energy neutrino sources continue to accelerate particles above 10 PeV.
- Characterize the astrophysical sources of the v-flux between 1-10 PeV by measuring the  $\tau$  component.

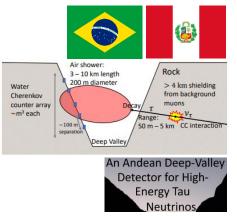
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• Constrain the particle acceleration potential of point source transients observed with MM probes.

LA contributions: aimed to construction, subsequent roles do not defined yet

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Hardware and Software: construction and commissioning.



Physics: TBD.

Neutrinos Angra experiment: commissioning and first operational measurements. H.P. Lima Jr et al. 2019 JINST 14 P06010.

#### v-Angra Experiment – Neutrinos Angra Experiment:

- A remarkable application of neutrino technology in the region: practical roles for neutrinos in nuclear security and safeguards systems (IAEA roadmap, STR-361).
- Detector (~1 ton) located in the Angra dos Reis nuclear power plant (as CONNIE), aimed to use electron antineutrinos flux (β-decay) produced while burnout of the fuel to demonstrate the feasibility of monitoring the reactor dynamics. Distanced ~25 m from reactor's core.
- Reliability and cost-effective technology: (significantly lower if implemented in the operational budget of the plant).

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

Antineutrino remote monitoring of reactors: reduces exposure and dose in the staff requiring for operation, maintenance, and inspection of the nuclear power plant (international standards).

### LA contributions: aimed to non-proliferation and against nuclear threats

- <u>Hardware:</u> scaling and operating of prototypes.
- <u>Physics:</u> nuclear reactor monitoring.





### LA SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL <u>IDENTIFIED</u> CAPABILITIES:

#### **Radio Cherenkov Detectors**

GRAND, a Giant Radio Array for Neutrino Detection: Objectives, design and current status. Matias Tueros. EPJ Web of Conferences 216, 01006 (2019).

#### **GRAND - Giant Radio Array for Neutrino Detection:**

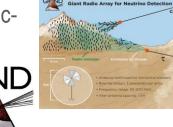
- Array of antennas for detection of radio emission from EAS triggered by cosmicrays, gamma rays and neutrinos interactions with atmosphere.
- Under construction: GRANDProto300 GRAND10k GRAND200k.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- GZK neutrinos, neutrino physics, EeV neutrino astronomy.
- UHE gamma rays, fast radio bursts, giant radio pulses, epoch of reionization, UHE cosmic rays.

LA contributions: aimed to calibration and optimization studies, computing and physics

- <u>Calibration:</u> signal processing techniques (improvement of signal-to-noise ratio, filters, wavelets).
- <u>Computing</u>: high performance computing.
- <u>Physics</u>: energy estimations of the primary from antennas data. Shower libraries. Cosmic ray physics.



### LA SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL <u>IDENTIFIED</u> CAPABILITIES:

**Silicon Pixelated Detectors** 

Skipper-CCD and reactor neutrinos in Argentina. Guillermo Fernandez Moroni. COFI, Puerto Rico. February 5, 2020.

#### SENSEI – Sub-Electron Noise Skipper CCD Experimental Instrument:

- Dark Matter searches R&D via ultra-low threshold based on Skipper-CCD technology. Pioneering technology of FERMILAB known from the SENSEI experiments with Argentina's starring role.
- Under Planning: prototype expected to be built between 2020-2021.
- Reactor experiment: Atucha Nuclear Reactor (candidate). Detection array to be placed 12 m away the core and inside the dome.

#### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Direct Dark Matter Searches in the MeV-GeV range and neutrino connection.
- Coherent neutrino-nucleus interaction cross sections.
- At low E: quantification of high intensity v-fluxes while fuel burnout from a nuclear reactor. SBL Oscillations.
- LA contributions: aimed to theoretical, computational and experimental/instrumentation contributions
- Hardware: Skipper CCD and associated technology. <u>Physics:</u> Direct Dark Matter Searches. SBL. Reactor Monitoring.





Exploring low-energy neutrino physics with the Coherent Neutrino Nucleus Interaction Experiment. Alexis Aguilar-Arevalo et al. Phys. Rev. D 100, 092005.

#### **<u>CONNIE – Coherent Neutrino-Nucleus Interaction Experiment:</u>**

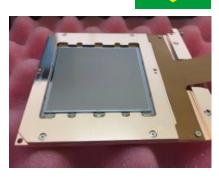
- Sharing hut with v-Angra experiment at Angra dos Reis Nuclear Power Plant.
- Also using CCD technology (low-noise fully depleted): 12 CCDs (~73 g).
- Already running since 2016, ~30 m away the core of Angra's 2 Nuclear Reactor.

### Physics program (in a nutshell):

- Coherent neutral current neutrino-nucleus scattering cross sections.
- Limits for NSI from nuclear reactor antineutrinos (including sterile neutrinos searched from anomalies in reactor-based SBL experiments).
- Reactor monitoring.
- **LA contributions:** aimed to hardware developments and physics.

<u>Hardware:</u> upgrades to Skipper-CCD and associated technology. Upgrade in active mass (~100 g). <u>Physics:</u> coherent neutrino-nucleus interaction cross sections (SM prediction but never measured). Limits NSI. Nuclear reactor monitoring.







### **SUMMARY (IDENTIFIED)**

Experiment	Scale	Capacity Building	R&D	Delivering Instrumentation	Multiple regional involvement
ANDES	Large	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
JUNO	Large	No	No	Yes	Yes
DUNE	Large	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
NOvA	Large	Yes	No	No	No
KM3NeT	Large	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
HYPER-K	Large	Yes	No	No	No
DEEP VALLEY	Large	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nu-ANGRA	Small	No	No	Yes	No
GRAND	Large	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
SENSEI	Small	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
CONNIE	Small	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
		[relative focus]		[including upgrades]	[already?]

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#### **DISCUSSION ROUNDTABLE (only an "appetizer"!)**

What are the main issues and needs of each of the projects in the most immediate future (~ 5 yrs)?

Can we develop more synergies in the region?

What are / should be the scientific priorities of the region for the next decade?

Which are the connections with neighboring fields?

Which areas could be strengthened per country?

How does our science contribute to knowledge and technology transfer?

How can we impact and benefit society?

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM NEUTRINO PHYSICS WG:**

(at closing of the event)



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