Toward a Theia Long-Baseline (LBL) Analysis

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Overview

- For the DUNE Far Detector Conceptual Design Report (FD-CDR), LBL sensitivities were produced using GLoBES (<u>https://www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/personalhomes/globes/</u>)
 - This is the same framework (with the same systematic error assumptions) used for the Theia LBL analysis in the Theia white paper (<u>https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.03501</u>)
- For the DUNE Far Detector Technical Design Report (FD-TDR), the analysis was upgraded to include simulated event samples at the ND and FD, and more realistic systematic uncertainties
 - e.g. low-level neutrino-nucleus model parameter uncertainties
- Our goal is to upgrade the Theia LBL analysis to a similar level of sophistication
- Ultimately, our sensitivities must be combined with existing DUNE sensitivities (and will use similar inputs), so we should aim use the DUNE software framework wherever possible
- At the Valencia "Module of Opportunity" workshop, an organization for the DUNE Phase 2 upgrade was formed (FD3, FD4, ND upgrade, beam)
 - We should plan to give regular updates at these meetings as the analysis progresses

DUNE LBL Analysis

- Flux predictions with systematics (hadron production + "focusing") are available
 - Our analysis should just reuse these
- v-N uncertainties (next slide)
- Far detector simulation, reconstruction, and first-pass detector uncertainties
 - Guang will tell us about Theia simulation & reconstruction status next
- Near detector simulation (no reconstruction yet), first pass detector uncertainties
 - More on near detectors later



Figure taken from any of ~10 different DUNE talks

DUNE FD-TDR Cross Section Model

- Uncertainties included for:
 - Exclusive interactions (QE, Res, SIS/DIS)
 - Final state interactions (FSI)
 - Nuclear effects (RPA, 2p2h)
 - Flavor ratios (v_/anti-v_)
- A similar set of uncertainties will be needed for C/O/H
 - Fortunately, these nuclei have been studied more extensively
 - Specific expertise in v-N modeling and GENIE is needed (& communication with DUNE DIRT2/NIUWG)

GENIE Xsec Parameters

Description	1σ		
Quasielastic			
$M_{\rm A}^{\rm QE}$, Axial mass for CCQE	$^{+0.25}_{-0.15}~{ m GeV}$		
QE FF, CCQE vector form factor shape	N/A		
$p_{\rm F}$ Fermi surface momentum for Pauli blocking	$\pm 30\%$		
Low W			
M_{Λ}^{RES} , Axial mass for CC resonance	$\pm 0.05 \mathrm{GeV}$		
$M_V^{\rm RES}$ Vector mass for CC resonance	$\pm 10\%$		
Δ -decay ang., θ_{π} from Δ decay (isotropic \rightarrow R-S)	N/A		
High W (BY model)			
$A_{\rm HT}$, higher-twist in scaling variable ξ_w	$\pm 25\%$		
$B_{\rm HT},$ higher-twist in scaling variable ξ_w	$\pm 25\%$		
$C_{\rm V1u},$ valence GRV98 PDF correction	$\pm 30\%$		
C_{V2u} , valence GRV98 PDF correction	$\pm 40\%$		
Other neutral current			
$M_{\mathbf{A}}^{\mathbf{NCRES}}$, Axial mass for NC resonance	$\pm 10\%$		
$M_V^{\rm NCRES}$, Vector mass for NC resonance	$\pm 5\%$		

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GENIE FSI Parameters

Description	1σ
N. CEX, Nucleon charge exchange probability	$\pm 50\%$
N. EL, Nucleon elastic reaction probability	$\pm 30\%$
N. INEL, Nucleon inelastic reaction probability	$\pm 40\%$
N. ABS, Nucleon absorption probability	$\pm 20\%$
N. PROD, Nucleon π -production probability	$\pm 20\%$
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Additional Xsec Parameters

Uncertainty	Mode		
BcRPA $[A,B,D]$	$1p1h/\mathrm{QE}$		
$\operatorname{ArC2p2h}\left[\nu,\bar{\nu}\right]$	2p2h		
E_{2p2h} [A,B] $[\nu,\bar{\nu}]$	2p2h		
NR $[\nu, \bar{\nu}]$ [CC,NC] [n,p] $[1\pi, 2\pi, 3\pi]$	Non-res. pion		
$\nu_e \text{ PS}$	$\nu_e, \overline{\nu}_e$ inclusive		
$\nu_e/\overline{\nu}_e$ norm	$\nu_e, \overline{\nu}_e$ inclusive		
NC norm.	NC		

Near Detector Considerations

- Near detectors are an essential element of any LBL analysis
 - Measurements on the same nuclear target(s) as the far detector are required
- DUNE ND is currently designed around Ar
 - ND-LAr TPC: v-Target w/ similar technology to LAr far detectors
 - TMS: Spectrometer for muons escaping ND-LAr
 - \circ $\,$ PRISM: ND-LAr + TMS move off-axis to sample a variety of E_v $\,$
 - SAND: Beam monitor
- Key question: how can the ND be modified to make measurements necessary for a WbLS far detector?

DUNE Near Detector Hall







The near detector hall for DUNE Phase 1 is at "100% final design" (i.e. changes to the hall at this point would be very difficult)

Cavern Layout

- Red line: beam axis
- Off-axis travel direction is left-to-right
- 2 pairs of rails for ND-LAr and TMS
- 2 sets of "cross rails" (along the beam direction) for SAND
 - SAND can move between the TMS and ND-LAr rails
- The main shaft, elevator, and equipment mezzanines are on the right side



Detector Choreography

- The rail structure is designed to allow SAND to be installed at almost any time
- TMS and ND-LAr can move (via the PRISM system)
 - ND-LAr can temporarily move under the 60 ton crane coverage
 - TMS can temporarily move under the shaft
- Significant flexibility to accommodate a variety of installation scenarios



C/O/H Targets in SAND

- The SAND Straw-Tube Tracker (STT) is capable of housing thin (~12 mm) targets of CH₂, C, & CH₂O, which can be used to extract neutrino cross sections on C, O, and H.
- SAND can also hold up to ~1 ton of H₂O to measure water cross sections directly
- High statistics measurements are possible
- More details from R. Petti at an upcoming meeting



Target	CP optimized FHC (1.2MW, 2y)			CP optimized RHC (1.2MW, 2y)				
	$ u_{\mu}$ CC	$ar{ u}_{\mu}$ CC	$ u_e$ CC	$ar{ u}_e$ CC	$ u_{\mu}$ CC	$ar{ u}_{\mu}$ CC	$ u_e$ CC	$ar{ u}_e$ CC
CH_2	13,010,337	624,330	192,118	31,902	2,035,973	4,870,562	91,004	69,278
Н	1,222,576	111,574	<i>18,396</i>	5,557	194,216	906,130	8,712	12,434
С	1,547,011	67,294	22,799	3,458	241,710	520,287	10,800	7,460
Ar	3,114,331	121,506	46,384	<i>6,503</i>	480,862	936,489	21,932	13,867
Pb	62,127,600	2,507,940	923,012	130,680	10,375,400	18,222,200	437,284	265,304

NOTE: 100 kt-MW-years in Phase I FD corresponds to about 2y FHC + 2y RHC with 1.2 MW beam

ND-GAr

- Are off-axis WbLS targets possible?
- DUNE Phase 2 includes plans for an upgraded near detector
- The main option discussed so far is a high-pressure Ar gas TPC in place of TMS
 - Lowers the momentum threshold for detecting particles escaping the Ar nucleus
 - $\circ \quad \mbox{Cleaner measurements of multi-particle} \\ \mbox{final states (e.g. reduces π^+ scattering,} \\ \mbox{γ-conversions, etc.)}$
- This detector still must function as a muon catcher for ND-LAr
 - Goal is to minimize dead material between ND-LAr and ND-GAr



WbLS Targets in ND-GAr

- The most minimally invasive option for off-axis ND WbLS is to incorporate targets into ND-GAr
 - Unlike a LAr detector, which relies on hadronic calorimetry, Theia only requires measurements of particles above Cherenkov threshold (e.g. T2K ND strategy see next slide)
- The upstream ECAL for ND-GAr is already envisioned to be "thin" to enhance muon catching
 - In this case, it would be possible to incorporate WbLS targets/cells/bars/cubes in the upstream ECAL
- This could also provide useful synergy -> multiple groups working toward a multipurpose ND-GAr



T2K Fine-Grained Detector (FGD2)

- T2K already employs water targets embedded within X & Y layers of scintillator bars
 - This reduced T2K's neutrino interaction uncertainties on water by ~30%
- One of the most important detector uncertainties is disentangling events occurring within water to events occurring in adjacent scintillator layers
- With WbLS, it may be possible to instrument the water layers to reduce these uncertainties
 - A sufficient scintillator fraction / light yield to record MIPs would be needed



7 xy + 6 water modules 192x2 bars/layer



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A Dedicated Theia Near Detector?

- The PRISM rail system allows detectors to be moved off-axis during beam running
- If the long dimension of the ND Hall can be further extended, can create a "garage" for a Theia ND
 - The garage need not extend to the full cavern height; just tall enough to fit the detectors
- If ND-GAr is also built, TMS would no longer be needed for ND-LAr, and could become the muon catcher for Theia ND



Summary

- Many concurrent activities will be needed to produce a DUNE ND-TDR-level oscillation analysis for a Theia far detector
 - DUNE oscillation analysis tools will need to be extended to incorporate Theia
 - Cross section model development for O/C targets must occur
 - Theia simulation and reconstruction tools will need further development to produce more accurate sample efficiencies and purities
- Many potential avenues to explore for Theia near detector measurements
 - Embedded C/O/H targets within SAND
 - WbLS targets incorporated into the upstream ECAL of ND-GAr
 - A dedicated Theia ND within a slightly expanded ND hall
- There are many places for people to get involved! Please let us know if you are interested in contributing!

Backup

Super-FGD -> WbLS cubes?

- The Super-FGD currently being constructed for T2K consists of 1 cm³ scintillator cubes
- Can we incorporate WbLS cubes into a Super-FGD structure for DUNE?
 - For either a dedicated detector or for embedding into ND-GAr?





ND-LAr Assembly Process Overview



