

Problem 1:

HW3 p.1

(a) Define $A_{\alpha\beta} = \text{Amp}(v_\alpha \rightarrow v_\beta)$

$$A_{\alpha\beta} = \sum_j U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} \exp\left(-i m_j^2 \frac{L}{2E}\right)$$

$$|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2 = \sum_{j,k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta k}^* \exp\left[-i \frac{L}{2E} (m_j^2 - m_k^2)\right]$$

define $\Delta_{jk} = (m_j^2 - m_k^2) \frac{L}{2E}$

Rewrite, isolating ~~some~~ $j=k$ from $j \neq k$:

$$|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2 = \underbrace{\sum_j U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*}_{\text{term (1)}} + 2 \underbrace{\sum_{j>k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta k}^* e^{-i\Delta_{jk}}}_{\text{term (2)}}$$

Use unitarity to reexpress (1) as follows:

$$\sum_i U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \Rightarrow \sum_{i,j} U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{(1)} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 2 \sum_{j>k} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta k}^*$$

Sub (1) into eq. for $|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2$ and ~~then~~ combine the sums.

Problem 1 continued:

the same old

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$$|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2 = \int_{\Delta\beta} -2 \sum_{j>k} (UUUU) (1 - e^{-i\Delta_{jk}}) \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - e^{-i\Delta_{jk}} &= 1 - \cos\Delta_{jk} + i \sin\Delta_{jk} \\ (3) \quad &= 2 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta_{jk}}{2} + i \sin\Delta_{jk} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j>k} \text{"UUUU"} &= \text{Re} \sum_{j>k} uuuu + i \text{Im} \sum_{j>k} uuuu \\ &= \sum_{j>k} \text{Re}(uuuu) + i \sum_{j>k} \text{Im}(uuuu) \end{aligned}$$

as $|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2 = \text{Real}$ the real and imaginary parts of (3) and (4) must combine such that only real parts survive !!!

$$\begin{aligned} |A_{\alpha\beta}|^2 &= \int_{\Delta\beta} -4 \sum_{i<j} \text{Re}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin \frac{2\Delta_{ij}}{2} \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{i<j} \text{Im}(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin \Delta_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

(b) The Majorana phases affect U as follows:

$$U \rightarrow U \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha_1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_2/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

\rightarrow ~~all~~ $U_{\alpha 1}$ and $U_{\alpha 2}$ are affected ^{equally} among $U_{\alpha\beta}$

~~However, in $|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2$~~

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{e.g. } U_{11} \rightarrow U_{11} e^{i\alpha_1/2} \\ U_{21} \rightarrow U_{21} e^{i\alpha_1/2} \\ U_{31} \rightarrow U_{31} e^{i\alpha_1/2} \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} U_{11} \\ U_{21} \\ U_{31} \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} (U_{11} e^{i\alpha_1/2})^* \cdot U_{12} e^{i\alpha_2/2} \\ = U_{11}^* \cdot U_{12} \\ \text{and thus remains} \\ \text{unchanged.} \end{array}$$

In $|A_{\alpha\beta}|^2$ only such combinations show up

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} &\rightarrow U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} \cdot e^{-i\alpha_1/2} \cdot e^{+i\alpha_1/2} \\ &= U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} \text{ etc} \end{aligned}$$

The Majorana phases are thus irrelevant for neutrino mixing.

Problem 1c:

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$$(i) \operatorname{Im} \left(U_{\alpha i}^* U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^* \right) = \text{same for all } i, j \text{ up to a sign}$$

and as long as $i \neq j$
 $\alpha \neq \beta$

This can be shown by unitarity of U only as follows:

$$\sum_{j=1,2,3} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} = 0 \quad \left| \text{multiply by } U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}^* \right.$$

$$U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}^* \left(U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} + U_{\alpha 3}^* U_{\beta 3} \right) + |U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}|^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\operatorname{Im} U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}^* U_{\alpha 1}^* U_{\beta 1} = \operatorname{Im} U_{\alpha 2} U_{\beta 2}^* U_{\alpha 3}^* U_{\beta 3}$$

you can repeat this for any two indices i, j from equation (i). feel
For the standard representation (PDG 2006 p.138) we get:

$$\operatorname{Im} \left(U_{11}^* U_{21} U_{12} U_{22}^* \right) = c_{12} c_{13} s_{12} c_{13} \operatorname{Im} \left(U_{21} U_{22}^* \right)$$

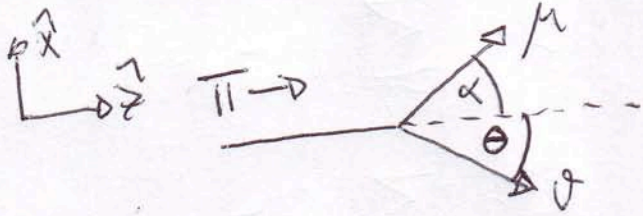
$$= -c_{12} c_{13}^2 c_{23} s_{12} s_{13} s_{23} \sin \delta$$

This shows that all 4 angles $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}, \delta$ have to be different from 0 and π in order for $\mathcal{M} \neq 0$!!!
and $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}$ can't be $\pi/2$ either.

Problem 2: Exploring off-axis ν

HW3 p.5

(a) Assume π decays in x - z plane for concreteness.



$$\pi: (E_\pi, 0, 0, P_\pi)$$

$$\mu: (E_\mu, P_\mu \sin \alpha, 0, P_\mu \cos \alpha)$$

$$\nu: (E_\nu, -E_\nu \sin \theta, 0, E_\nu \cos \theta)$$

4-vector conservation:

$$(i) E_\pi = E_\mu + E_\nu$$

$$(ii) P_\mu \sin \alpha = E_\nu \sin \theta$$

$$(iii) P_\mu \cos \alpha = P_\pi - E_\nu \cos \theta$$

(ii)² + (iii)²:

$$P_\mu^2 = E_\nu^2 + P_\pi^2 - 2P_\pi E_\nu \cos \theta$$

call this (iv)

Now use (i) to rearrange and express as $E_\mu^2 = P_\mu^2 + m_\mu^2$

$$(v) P_\mu^2 + m_\mu^2 = E_\pi^2 + E_\nu^2 - 2E_\pi E_\nu$$

Now plug (iv) into (v) to eliminate P_μ

$$2E_\nu (E_\pi - P_\pi \cos \theta) = \underbrace{E_\pi^2 - P_\pi^2}_{m_\pi^2} - m_\mu^2 = m_\pi^2 - m_\mu^2$$

$$E_\nu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_\pi^2 - m_\mu^2}{(E_\pi - P_\pi \cos \theta)}$$

Next page shows how even a small angle makes the E_ν roughly independent of E_π !!!

Problem 3: $\sin \theta_{13}$ reactor $\bar{\nu}$ disappearance experiments

Start with eq. (15) of hep-ex 0506165

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta) = -4 \sum_{i>j} \text{Real}(U_{ei}^* U_{\beta i} U_{ej} U_{\beta j}^*) \sin^2 \Delta_{ij} - 2 \sum_{i>j} \text{Im}(\dots) \sin 2\Delta_{ij}$$

Where $\Delta_{ij} \equiv \Delta m_{ij}^2 \cdot \frac{L}{4E}$; $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$

and $\beta = \mu$ or τ

The probability for disappearance is then:

$$P = P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu) + P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau)$$

$$\textcircled{A} \left\{ \begin{aligned} P &= -4 \sum_{i>j} \text{Real}(U_{ei}^* U_{ej} [U_{\mu i} U_{\mu j}^* + U_{\tau i} U_{\tau j}^*]) \sin^2 \Delta_{ij} \\ &- 2 \sum_{i>j} \text{Im}(\dots) \sin 2\Delta_{ij} \\ &\stackrel{\text{L}}{=} - |U_{ei} U_{ej}^*|^2 \end{aligned} \right.$$

for $i \neq j$ because of unitarity as follows:

~~$$U_{ei}^* U_{ej} [U_{ei} U_{ej}^* + U_{\mu i} U_{\mu j}^* + U_{\tau i} U_{\tau j}^*] \sin^2 \Delta_{ij}$$~~

$$U_{ei}^* U_{ej} \cdot [U_{ei} U_{ej}^* + U_{\mu i} U_{\mu j}^* + U_{\tau i} U_{\tau j}^*] = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

Problem 3 continued:

This then leads to rewriting \mathcal{A} as:

$$P = -4 \sum_{i>j} \text{Real} \left[-|U_{ei} U_{ej}^*|^2 \right] \sin^2 \Delta_{ij} \\ - 2 \sum_{i>j} \text{Im} \left[\quad \quad \quad \right] \sin 2\Delta_{ij}$$

The $\text{Im}[\]$ is thus identically \emptyset

Note: We have thus shown that disappearance experiments are fundamentally insensitive to $\sin 2\Delta_{ij}$, but only sensitive to \sin^2 . As such, they are insensitive to the hierarchy of masses.

Now use $U_{e1} = c_{12} c_{13}$ $U_{e2} = s_{12} c_{13}$ $U_{e3} = s_{13} e^{-i\delta}$

$$P = 4 \left[s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 \sin^2 \Delta_{21} + s_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2 \sin^2 \Delta_{32} \right]$$

now combine last 2 terms because $\Delta_{31} \approx \Delta_{32}$

$$P = 4 \left[s_{12}^2 c_{12}^2 c_{13}^4 \sin^2 \Delta_{21} + s_{13}^2 c_{13}^2 \sin^2 \Delta_{31} \right]$$

now use double angle theorems: $\sin x \cdot \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$

$$P = \sin^2 [2\theta_{13}] \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + \cos^2 \theta_{13} \sin^2 [2\theta_{12}] \sin^2 \Delta_{21}$$

Plugging in the numbers: $\Delta_{21} = 1.27 * 8 * 10^{-5} * \frac{1.5}{3 * 10^3} = 0.051$ rad

$$\Delta_{31} = 1.27 * 2.4 * 10^{-3} * \frac{1.5}{3 * 10^3} = 1.52 \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \sin^2 \Delta_{21} = 0.0026$$

\Rightarrow We thus get: $P = \sin^2 [2\theta_{13}] \cdot \sin^2 \Delta_{31} + 2.6 * 10^{-3} \sin^2 [2\theta_{12}]$