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## List of Abbreviations

<b>NMO</b>	<b>N</b> eutrino <b>M</b> ass <b>O</b> rdering
<b>JUNO</b>	<b>J</b> iangmen <b>U</b> nderground <b>N</b> eutrino <b>O</b> bservatory
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# Remerciements



# Introduction



# Chapter 1

## Neutrino physics

*The neutrino, or  $\nu$  for the close friends, a fascinating and invisible particle. Some will say that dark matter also have those property but at least we are pretty confident that neutrinos exists.*

### 1.1 Standard model

#### 1.1.1 Limits of the standard model

### 1.2 Historic of the neutrino

First theories

Discovery

Milestones and anomalies

### 1.3 Oscillation

#### 1.3.1 Phenomologies

### 1.4 Open questions

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## Chapter 2

# The JUNO experiment

The first idea of a medium baseline ( 60 km) experiment, was explored in 2008 where it was demonstrated that the Neutrino Mass Ordering (NMO) could be determined by a medium baseline experiment if  $\sin^2(2\theta_{13}) > 0.005$  without requirements on accurate information of reactor antineutrino spectra and the value of  $\Delta m_{32}^2$ . [1] It was shown that for value of

The JUNO (Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory) is a neutrino detection experiment located in China. Its main objective is the determination of the mass ordering at the  $3\text{-}4\sigma$  level in 6 years of data taking [2].

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## 2.1 Neutrinos physics in JUNO

As said before, the main goals of JUNO are the determination of the NMO and the precise measurements of the oscillation parameters  $\Delta m_{21}^2$ ,  $\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$ ,  $\Delta m_{32}^2$  and, with less precision,  $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ .

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### 2.1.1 Reactor neutrino oscillation for NMO and precise measurements

Previous works [1, 3] shows that oscillation parameters and the NMO can be observed by looking at the  $\bar{\nu}_e$  disappearance spectrum coming from medium baseline nuclear reactor. This disappearance probability can be expressed as [2] :

$$P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{12} c_{13}^4 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E} - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \left[ c_{12}^2 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E} + s_{12}^2 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \right]$$

Where  $s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$ ,  $c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$ ,  $E$  is the  $\bar{\nu}_e$  energy and  $L$  is the baseline. We can see the sensitivity to the NMO in the dependency to  $\Delta m_{32}^2$  and  $\Delta m_{31}^2$  causing a phase shift of the spectrum (Figure 2.1). By carefully fitting this spectrum, one can extract the NMO and the oscillation parameters.

### Identification of the mass hierarchy

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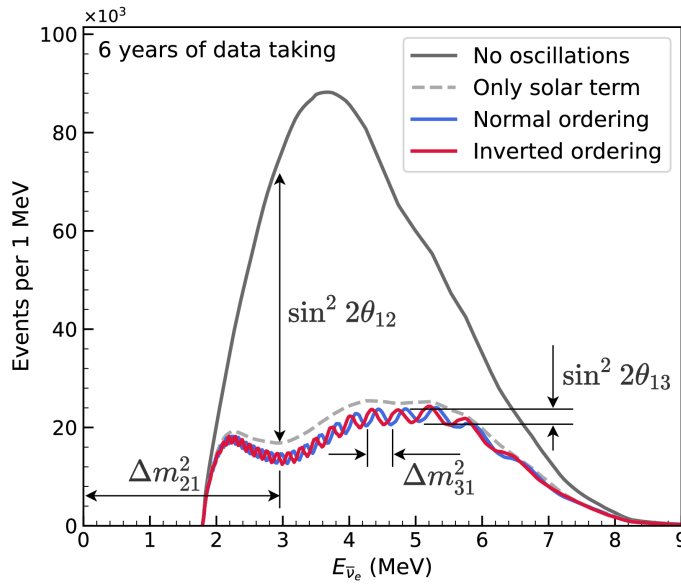


FIGURE 2.1 – Expected number of neutrinos event per MeV in JUNO after 6 years of data taking. The black curve shows the flux if there was no oscillation. The light gray curve shows the oscillation if only the solar terms are taken in account ( $\theta_{12}$ ,  $\Delta m_{21}^2$ ). The blue and red curve shows the spectrum in the case of, respectively, NO and IO. The dependency of the oscillation to the different parameters are schematized by the double sided arrows. We can see the NMO sensitivity by looking at the fine phase shift between the red and the blue curve.



Precise measurement of the oscillations parameters

## 2.1.2 Other physics

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## **Chapter 4**

# **Image recognition for IBD reconstruction with the SPMT system**



## **Chapter 5**

# **Graph representation of JUNO for IBD reconstruction with the LPMT system**





## **Chapter 6**

# **Reliability of machine learning methods**



## **Chapter 7**

# **Discrimination of $e^+/e^-$ events in JUNO**



## **Chapter 8**

## **Conclusion**



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