Renormalization-Group Approach to Matter Effects on Neutrino Oscillations

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Solar & Atmospheric Neutrino Oscillations



Reactor Neutrino Oscillations





Dec. 2011	Double Chooz (far detector):	$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.022 \pm 0.013$	1.7σ
Mar. 2012	Daya Bay (near + far detectors):	$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.024 \pm 0.004$	5.2σ
Apr. 2012	RENO (near + far detectors):	$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.029 \pm 0.006$	4.9σ

Two-flavor Oscillations: Massive Neutrinos

The oscillation probability for the appearance channel

$$P(\nu_e \to \nu_\mu) \equiv \left| \left\langle \nu_\mu \middle| \nu_e(t) \right\rangle \right|^2$$

= $2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta \left(1 - \cos \frac{\Delta m^2 t}{2E} \right)$
= $\sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}$ $L \approx t$ in



 $L \approx t$ in the relativistic limit

The survival probability for the disappearance channel



Status of Neutrino Oscillations

$m_1 < m_2 < m_3$ (NO) or $m_3 < m_1 < m_2$ (IO)

 $(\Delta \chi^2 = 6.2)$ Normal Ordering (best fit) Inverted Ordering bfp $\pm 1\sigma$ 3σ range bfp $\pm 1\sigma$ 3σ range $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ $0.310^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$ $0.310\substack{+0.013\\-0.012}$ $0.275 \rightarrow 0.350$ $0.275 \rightarrow 0.350$ without SK atmospheric data $33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$ $33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$ $\theta_{12}/^{\circ}$ $31.61 \rightarrow 36.27$ $31.61 \rightarrow 36.27$ $0.558^{+0.020}_{-0.033}$ $0.563^{+0.019}_{-0.026}$ $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ $0.427 \to 0.609$ $0.430 \rightarrow 0.612$ $48.3^{+1.1}_{-1.9}$ $48.6^{+1.1}_{-1.5}$ $41.0 \rightarrow 51.5$ $\theta_{23}/^{\circ}$ $40.8 \rightarrow 51.3$ $0.02241^{+0.00066}_{-0.00065}$ $0.02261^{+0.00067}_{-0.00064}$ $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ $0.02046 \rightarrow 0.02440$ $0.02066 \rightarrow 0.02461$ $8.61^{+0.13}_{-0.13}$ $8.65_{-0.12}^{+0.13}$ $\theta_{13}/^{\circ}$ $8.22 \rightarrow 8.99$ $8.26 \rightarrow 9.02$ 222^{+38}_{-28} 285^{+24}_{-26} $\delta_{\rm CP}/^{\circ}$ $141 \rightarrow 370$ $205 \rightarrow 354$ Δm_{21}^2 $7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ $7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ $6.79 \rightarrow 8.01$ $6.79 \rightarrow 8.01$ 10^{-5} eV^2 $\Delta m^2_{3\ell}$ $+2.523^{+0.032}_{-0.030}$ $-2.509^{+0.032}_{-0.030}$ $+2.432 \rightarrow +2.618$ $-2.603 \rightarrow -2.416$ 10^{-3} eV^2

Neutrino mass ordering: normal ordering favored at the 2~3σ C.L.

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NuFIT 4.1 (2019)

Status of Neutrino Oscillations

m	₁ < m ₂ < m	NuFIT 4.1 (2019)			
		Normal Ordering (best fit)		Inverted Ordering $\Delta \chi^2 = 10.4$	
		bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ range
	$\sin^2 heta_{12}$	$0.310\substack{+0.013\\-0.012}$	$0.275 \rightarrow 0.350$	$0.310\substack{+0.013\\-0.012}$	$0.275 \rightarrow 0.350$
data	$ heta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$	$31.61 \rightarrow 36.27$	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	$31.61 \rightarrow 36.27$
ric ($\sin^2 heta_{23}$	$0.563\substack{+0.018\\-0.024}$	$0.433 \rightarrow 0.609$	$0.565\substack{+0.017\\-0.022}$	$0.436 \rightarrow 0.610$
osphe	$ heta_{23}/^\circ$	$48.6^{+1.0}_{-1.4}$	$41.1 \rightarrow 51.3$	$48.8^{+1.0}_{-1.2}$	$41.4 \rightarrow 51.3$
utme	$\sin^2 heta_{13}$	$0.02237\substack{+0.00066\\-0.00065}$	$0.02044 \rightarrow 0.02435$	$0.02259\substack{+0.00065\\-0.00065}$	$0.02064 \to 0.02457$
SK a	$ heta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.60\substack{+0.13 \\ -0.13}$	$8.22 \rightarrow 8.98$	$8.64\substack{+0.12\\-0.13}$	$8.26 \rightarrow 9.02$
with	$\delta_{ m CP}/^{\circ}$	221^{+39}_{-28}	$144 \rightarrow 357$	282^{+23}_{-25}	$205 \rightarrow 348$
	$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \ \mathrm{eV}^2}$	$7.39\substack{+0.21 \\ -0.20}$	$6.79 \rightarrow 8.01$	$7.39\substack{+0.21 \\ -0.20}$	$6.79 \rightarrow 8.01$
	$\frac{\Delta m_{3\ell}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$+2.528^{+0.029}_{-0.031}$	$+2.436 \rightarrow +2.618$	$-2.510\substack{+0.030\\-0.031}$	$-2.601 \rightarrow -2.419$

Neutrino mass ordering: normal ordering favored at the $2 \sim 3\sigma$ C.L.

Sensitivity to Mass Ordering

SK atmospheric preference for NO due to excess of e-like events



Sensitivity to Mass Ordering



Importance of Matter Effects



Sensitivity to Mass Ordering

When other parameters are fixed, the NO will be favored to realize a smaller value of θ_{13}



Matter Effects on Neutrino Oscillations

An example for two-flavor neutrino mixing

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{2E} U \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} + \begin{pmatrix} V_e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2E} \begin{bmatrix} U \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} + \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The effective Hamiltonian in a more compact form:

Relationship between the mixing angle (mass difference) in vacuum and that in matter

Importance of Matter Effects



For the MSW resonance to happen

$$\theta_{12} = 34^{\circ}$$

Normal neutrino mass ordering

For high-energy ⁸B neutrinos at production *r* = 0 $\begin{pmatrix} |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{1}(\mathbf{0})\rangle \\ |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{2}(\mathbf{0})\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} & -s_{\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} \\ s_{\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} & c_{\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\boldsymbol{\nu}_{e}(\mathbf{0})\rangle \\ |\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mu}(\mathbf{0})\rangle \end{pmatrix}$ adiabatic evolution $\begin{pmatrix} |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_1(\boldsymbol{R})\rangle \\ |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_2(\boldsymbol{R})\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_1(\mathbf{0})\rangle \\ |\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_2(\mathbf{0})\rangle \end{pmatrix}$ on the solar surface r = R $\begin{pmatrix} | \boldsymbol{v}_{e}(\boldsymbol{R}) \rangle \\ | \boldsymbol{v}_{\mu}(\boldsymbol{R}) \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{c}_{\theta} & \boldsymbol{s}_{\theta} \\ -\boldsymbol{s}_{\theta} & \boldsymbol{c}_{\theta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | \widetilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{1}(\boldsymbol{R}) \rangle \\ | \widetilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{2}(\boldsymbol{R}) \rangle \end{pmatrix}$ survival probability $P_{ee} = c_{\hat{\theta}}^2 c_{\theta}^2 + s_{\hat{\theta}}^2 s_{\theta}^2 \longrightarrow \sin^2 \theta$ $\widehat{\theta} \to \pi/2$ as $A \gg \Delta m^2$

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For low-energy ⁷Be neutrinos

$$P_{ee} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\theta$$

Oscillations in vacuum

Three-flavor Oscillations in Vacuum

The general formula of oscillation probabilities

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{i < j}^{3} \operatorname{Re} \left[U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\beta i}^{*} \right] \sin^{2} \frac{\Delta m_{ji}^{2} L}{4E}$$

$$+8\mathcal{J}\sum_{\gamma}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{32}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{31}^{2}L}{4E}$$



Jarlskog Invariant Im $\begin{bmatrix} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta i}^* \end{bmatrix}$

$$P(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha} \to \bar{\nu}_{\beta}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4\sum_{i < j}^{3} \operatorname{Re}\left[U_{\alpha i}U_{\beta j}U_{\alpha j}^{*}U_{\beta i}^{*}\right]\sin^{2}\frac{\Delta m_{ji}^{2}L}{4E}$$

$$-8\mathcal{J}\sum_{\gamma}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2L}{4E}$$

 $\equiv \mathcal{J} \sum_{\gamma,k} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \varepsilon_{ijk}$ $\boldsymbol{U} \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{U}^*$

CP violation in neutrino oscillations

$$A_{\rm CP} = P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) - P(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha} \to \bar{\nu}_{\beta}) = 16\mathcal{J}\sum_{\gamma} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sin\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E} \sin\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E} \sin\frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E}$$

Relations between Vacuum and Matter Cases

<u>A: Establish the relationship between intrinsic and effective parameters</u>

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{m}} &= \frac{1}{2E} \begin{bmatrix} U \begin{pmatrix} m_{1}^{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{2}^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{3}^{2} \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} + \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \frac{\Omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2E} & \Omega_{\mathrm{v}} = U \begin{pmatrix} m_{1}^{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{2}^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{3}^{2} \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} \\ \\ \mathcal{D}_{l} &= \begin{pmatrix} m_{e}^{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{\mu}^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{\tau}^{2} \end{pmatrix} & \Omega_{\mathrm{m}} = V \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_{1}^{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{m}_{2}^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{m}_{3}^{2} \end{pmatrix} V^{\dagger} & \begin{array}{c} \text{Calculate the commutators:} \\ [D_{l}, \Omega_{\mathrm{m}}] \equiv i\tilde{X}_{l} & [D_{l}, \Omega_{\mathrm{v}}] \equiv iX_{l} \\ \text{Harrison & & \text{Scott, PLB, 00} \\ \text{Xig, PLB, 00} \\ \end{array} \\ \\ X_{l} &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{e\mu} Z_{\mu e} & \Delta_{\tau e} Z_{e\tau} \\ \Delta_{\mu e} Z_{e\mu} & 0 & \Delta_{\mu \tau} Z_{\tau \mu} \\ \Delta_{e\tau} Z_{\tau e} & \Delta_{\tau \mu} Z_{\mu \tau} & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tilde{X}_{l} &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{e\mu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu e} & \Delta_{\tau e} \tilde{Z}_{e\tau} \\ \Delta_{\mu e} \tilde{Z}_{e\mu} & 0 & \Delta_{\mu \tau} \tilde{Z}_{\tau \mu} \\ \Delta_{e\tau} \tilde{Z}_{\tau e} & \Delta_{\tau \mu} Z_{\mu \tau} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \\ \Delta_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv m_{\alpha}^{2} - m_{\beta}^{2} & \tilde{Z}_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \sum_{i} \tilde{m}_{i}^{2} V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta i}^{*} & Z_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \sum_{i} m_{i}^{2} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^{*} \\ \Delta_{ij} &\equiv m_{i}^{2} - m_{j}^{2} & \tilde{Z}_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \sum_{i} \tilde{m}_{i}^{2} V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta i} & Z_{\alpha\beta} &\equiv \sum_{i} m_{i}^{2} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^{*} \\ Det[\tilde{X}_{l}] &= 2i\Delta_{\mu e}\Delta_{\tau e}\Delta_{\tau \mu} \Delta_{\tau \mu} [\tilde{Z}_{\mu e} \tilde{Z}_{\tau e} \tilde{Z}_{\mu \tau}] &= 2i\Delta_{\mu e}\Delta_{\tau e}\Delta_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \\ Det[\tilde{X}_{l}] &= 2i\Delta_{\mu e}\Delta_{\tau e}\Delta_{\tau \mu} \mathrm{Im}[\tilde{Z}_{\mu e} \tilde{Z}_{\tau e} \tilde{Z}_{\mu \tau}] &= 2i\Delta_{\mu e}\Delta_{\tau e}\Delta_{\tau \mu} \tilde{\Delta}_{\tau \mu} \\ \end{array}$$

Relations between Vacuum and Matter Cases

<u>B: Series expansion of the effective parameters</u>

Eigenvalues:

$$\widetilde{m}_1^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta_{31} \left(\widehat{A} + \alpha s_{12}^2 + s_{13}^2 \frac{\widehat{A}}{\widehat{A} - 1} + \alpha^2 \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_{12}}{4\widehat{A}} \right)$$

 $\widetilde{m}_2^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta_{31} \left(lpha c_{12}^2 - lpha^2 rac{\sin^2 2 heta_{12}}{4\widehat{A}}
ight)$

Freund, PRD, 01; Akhmedov et al., JHEP, 04

up to the second order of α and s_{13}^2

Divergent in the limits of $\widehat{A} \to 0$ and $\widehat{A} \to 1$

 $\alpha \equiv \frac{\Delta_{21}}{\Delta_{31}} \approx 0.03$ $s_{13}^2 \approx 0.02$

Oscillation Probabilities:

 $\widetilde{m}_3^2 = m_1^2 + \Delta_{31} \left(1 - s_{13}^2 \frac{\widehat{A}}{\widehat{A} - 1} \right)$

$$\widetilde{P}_{ee} = 1 - \alpha^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^2 \widehat{A} \Delta}{\widehat{A}^2} - 4s_{13}^2 \frac{\sin^2 (\widehat{A} - 1) \Delta}{\left(\widehat{A} - 1\right)^2}$$
Finite in the limits
 $\widehat{A} \to 0$ and $\widehat{A} \to 1$

$$\widetilde{P}_{e\mu} = \alpha^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{12} c_{23}^2 \frac{\sin^2 \widehat{A} \Delta}{\widehat{A}^2} + 4s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2 \frac{\sin^2 (\widehat{A} - 1) \Delta}{\left(\widehat{A} - 1\right)^2}$$

Valid only when Δ_{21} -driven osci. are small $\alpha \Delta \ll 1$

 $+ 2\alpha s_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos(\Delta - \delta) \frac{\sin \widehat{A} \Delta}{\widehat{A}} \frac{\sin(\widehat{A} - 1) \Delta}{(\widehat{A} - 1)}$

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\Delta_{31}L}{4E}$$

A Differential Way to Understand Matter Effects

Look at the effective Hamiltonian in matter once again

$$H_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{2E} \begin{bmatrix} U \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3^2 \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} + \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \frac{1}{2E} \begin{bmatrix} V \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{m}_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \widetilde{m}_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \widetilde{m}_3^2 \end{bmatrix} V^{\dagger}$$

Matter parameter Effective masses

$$a \equiv 2\sqrt{2} \ G_{\rm F} N_e E$$

Mixing matrix
in vacuum

Oscillation probabilities in vacuum

$$P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4\sum_{i< j}^{3} \operatorname{Re}\left[U_{\alpha i}U_{\beta j}U_{\alpha j}^{*}U_{\beta i}^{*}\right] \sin^{2}\frac{\Delta m_{ji}^{2}L}{4E} + 8\mathcal{J}\sum_{\gamma}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{21}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{32}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta m_{31}^{2}L}{4E}$$

Oscillation probabilities in matter

$$\tilde{P}(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4\sum_{i< j}^{3} \operatorname{Re}\left[V_{\alpha i}V_{\beta j}V_{\alpha j}^{*}V_{\beta i}^{*}\right] \sin^{2}\frac{\Delta \widetilde{m}_{ji}^{2}L}{4E} + 8\widetilde{J}\sum_{\gamma}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}\sin\frac{\Delta \widetilde{m}_{21}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta \widetilde{m}_{32}^{2}L}{4E}\sin\frac{\Delta \widetilde{m}_{31}^{2}L}{4E}$$

Form invariance of oscillation probabilities under: $m_i^2 \leftrightarrow \widetilde{m}_i^2 - U_{ii} \leftrightarrow V_{ii}$

A Differential Way to Understand Matter Effects

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{2E} \left[U \begin{pmatrix} m_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3^2 \end{pmatrix} U^{\dagger} + \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \implies \mathcal{H}_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{2E} \left[V \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{m}_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \widetilde{m}_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \widetilde{m}_3^2 \end{pmatrix} V^{\dagger} \right]$$

Take the derivative of the effective Hamiltonian with respect to a

$$\dot{D} + \begin{bmatrix} V^{\dagger} \dot{V}, D \end{bmatrix} = V^{\dagger} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} V = \begin{pmatrix} |V_{e1}|^2 & V_{e1}^* V_{e2} & V_{e1}^* V_{e3} \\ V_{e2}^* V_{e1} & |V_{e2}|^2 & V_{e2}^* V_{e3} \\ V_{e3}^* V_{e1} & V_{e3}^* V_{e2} & |V_{e3}|^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_1^2 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_2^2 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \widetilde{\mathbf{m}}_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

A complete set of differential equations ("RGEs")

$$\widetilde{\Delta}_{ij}\equiv \widetilde{m}_i^2-\widetilde{m}_j^2$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a}|V_{e1}|^{2} = 2|V_{e1}|^{2}\left(|V_{e2}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} - |V_{e3}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^{-1}\right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a}|V_{e2}|^{2} = 2|V_{e2}|^{2}\left(|V_{e3}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1} - |V_{e1}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1}\right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a}|V_{e3}|^{2} = 2|V_{e3}|^{2}\left(|V_{e1}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^{-1} - |V_{e2}|^{2}\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1}\right)$$
Electron flavor is SPECIAL
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a}\widetilde{\Delta}_{23} = |V_{e2}|^{2} - |V_{e3}|^{2}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a}\widetilde{\Delta}_{31} = |V_{e3}|^{2} - |V_{e1}|^{2}$$

S.H. Chiu & T.K. Kuo, PRD 2018; Z.Z. Xing, S. Zhou & Y.L. Zhou, JHEP 2018

A Differential Way to Understand Matter Effects

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{l} \text{Diff.}\\ \text{Invariant} \end{array} & \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} \left[\ln \left(|V_{e1}|^2 |V_{e2}|^2 |V_{e3}|^2 \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^2 \widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^2 \widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^2 \right) \right] = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} \left(\ln |V_{ei}|^2 \right) + \sum_{j>k} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} \left(\ln \widetilde{\Delta}_{jk}^2 \right) = 0 \\ \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{J}} &= \mathrm{Im} \left[V_{e1} V_{\mu 2} V_{e2}^* V_{\mu 1}^* \right] \\ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\mathcal{V}}_{e1} &= |V_{e2}|^2 V_{e1} \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} - |V_{e3}|^2 V_{e1} \widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{e1} , \\ \dot{\mathcal{V}}_{e2}^* &= |V_{e3}|^2 V_{e2}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1} - |V_{e1}|^2 V_{e2}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{e2}^* , \\ \\ \dot{\mathcal{L}}_{e1}^* &= |V_{e3}|^2 V_{e2}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1} - |V_{e1}|^2 V_{e2}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{e2}^* , \\ \\ \dot{\mathcal{L}}_{e2}^* &= |V_{e3}|^2 V_{e2}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1} - V_{\mu 3}^* V_{e1}^* V_{e3} \widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{e2}^* , \\ \\ \dot{\mathcal{L}}_{\mu 1}^* &= V_{\mu 2}^* V_{e1}^* V_{e2} \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} - V_{\mu 3}^* V_{e1}^* V_{e3} \widetilde{\Delta}_{31}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{\mu 1} , \\ \\ \dot{V}_{\mu 2} &= V_{\mu 3} V_{e2} V_{e3}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{23}^{-1} - V_{\mu 1} V_{e2} V_{e1}^* \widetilde{\Delta}_{12}^{-1} + \sum_{\alpha} \dot{V}_{\alpha i} V_{\alpha i}^* V_{\mu 2} . \\ \\ \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} |V_{\mu 1}|^2 &= |V_{\mu 1}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{e2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}} - \frac{|V_{e3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} \right] + |V_{e1}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{\mu 2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}} - \frac{|V_{\mu 3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} \right] - \left[\frac{|V_{\tau 3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}} - \frac{|V_{\tau 2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}a}{\mathrm{d}a} + \frac{\left[\Delta_{12} - \Delta_{31}\right]}{\left[\Delta_{12} - \Delta_{31}\right]} & \left[\Delta_{12} - \Delta_{31}\right]}{\left[\Delta_{12} - \Delta_{31}\right]} & \left[\Delta_{12} - \Delta_{31}\right] \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} |V_{\mu 2}|^2 &= |V_{\mu 2}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{e3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}} - \frac{|V_{e1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}}\right] + |V_{e2}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{\mu 3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}} - \frac{|V_{\mu 1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}}\right] - \left[\frac{|V_{\tau 1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}} - \frac{|V_{\tau 3}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{12}}\right], \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}a} |V_{\mu 3}|^2 &= |V_{\mu 3}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{e1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} - \frac{|V_{e2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}}\right] + |V_{e3}|^2 \left[\frac{|V_{\mu 1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} - \frac{|V_{\mu 2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}}\right] - \left[\frac{|V_{\tau 2}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}} - \frac{|V_{\tau 1}|^2}{\widetilde{\Delta}_{23}}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Solutions to Mixing Matrix Elements



Evolution of the mixing matrix elements in the NO case (input global-fit data)

Numerical Solutions to Mixing Parameters



Series expansion of mass eigenvalues

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\Delta}_{21} &\approx \Delta_{31} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + A - C_{13} \right) + \alpha \left(\frac{C_{13} + 1 - A\cos 2\theta_{13}}{2C_{13}} \sin^2 \theta_{12} - \cos^2 \theta_{12} \right) \right] ,\\ \widetilde{\Delta}_{31} &\approx \Delta_{31} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + A + C_{13} \right) + \alpha \left(\frac{C_{13} - 1 + A\cos 2\theta_{13}}{2C_{13}} \sin^2 \theta_{12} - \cos^2 \theta_{12} \right) \right] ,\\ \widetilde{\Delta}_{32} &\approx \Delta_{31} \left[C_{13} + \alpha \sin^2 \theta_{12} \left(\frac{A\cos 2\theta_{13} - 1}{C_{13}} \right) \right] ,\end{split}$$

Freund, PRD, 01; Akhmedov et al., JHEP, 04

As a starting point

X. Wang, S.Z, JHEP, 19

Introduce a new mass-squared difference

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{c} &\equiv \Delta_{31} cos^{2} \theta_{12} + \Delta_{32} sin^{2} \theta_{12} \quad \alpha_{c} = \Delta_{21} / \Delta_{c} \\ \text{Minakata, Parke, JHEP, 16;} \\ \text{Y.F. Li, J. Zhang, S. Zhou, J.Y. Zhu, JHEP, 16} \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\widetilde{\Delta}_{31}}{\mathrm{d}a} = \sin^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{13} - \cos^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{13} \cos^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{12}$$
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\widetilde{\Delta}_{32}}{\mathrm{d}a} = \sin^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{13} - \cos^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{13} \sin^2 \widetilde{\theta}_{12}$$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\Delta}_{31} &\approx \Delta_{\rm c} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + A_{\rm c} + \widehat{C}_{13} \right) - \alpha_{\rm c} \cos 2\theta_{12} \right] \\ \widetilde{\Delta}_{32} &\approx \Delta_{\rm c} \widehat{C}_{13} \;, \quad \widehat{C}_{13} \equiv \sqrt{1 - 2A_{\rm c} \cos 2\theta_{13} + A_{\rm c}} \end{split}$$

 $\widetilde{\Delta}_{21} \approx \Delta_{\rm c} \left| \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + A_{\rm c} - \widehat{C}_{13} \right) - \alpha_{\rm c} \cos 2\theta_{12} \right| ,$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13}}{\widehat{C}_{13}} \end{pmatrix} = \sin^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{13} - \cos^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{13} \cos^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{12} \\ \frac{A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13}}{\widehat{C}_{13}} = \sin^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{13} - \cos^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{13} \sin^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{12}$$

$$\cos^{2} \tilde{\theta}_{13} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13}}{\hat{C}_{13}} \right) \\ \sin^{2} 2 \tilde{\theta}_{13} = 1 - \frac{(A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13})^{2}}{\hat{C}_{13}^{2}} = \frac{\sin^{2} 2\theta_{13}}{(A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13})^{2} + \sin^{2} 2\theta_{13}}$$

Note: $\tilde{\theta}_{13}$ is given by the formula in the limit of two-flavor neutrino mixing

90 NO 80 neutrino 70 Analytical 60 Numerical **0**¹³ **0 0 Resonance** $\mathbf{Q}A_{c} = \cos 2\theta_{13}$ 30 20 antineutrino 10 0 10-4 0.100 0.001 0.010 10 100 1 $A_{\rm c}$

Analytical result

$$\cos^{2} \widetilde{\theta}_{13} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{A_{c} - \cos 2\theta_{13}}{\widehat{C}_{13}} \right)$$
$$\widehat{C}_{13} \equiv \sqrt{1 - 2A_{c} \cos 2\theta_{13} + A_{c}^{2}}$$
$$\mathbf{A}_{c} = \frac{a}{\Lambda} \qquad \text{Order of magnitude}$$

$$= 6 \times 10^{-4} \left(\frac{e}{N_{\rm A} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{10 \text{ MeV}} \right)$$

The Earth, A.~1 for E = 10 GeV

Analytical solution to $\tilde{\theta}_{12}$

- Series expansion invalid for small values of *A*_c
- Introduce two functions of A_c to be solved from RGEs

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{F}}{\mathrm{d}A_{\mathrm{c}}} = -\frac{(\cos 2\theta_{12} + \mathcal{F})\cos^2\theta_{13}}{(\cos 2\theta_{12} + 2\mathcal{F})\alpha_{\mathrm{c}} + A_{\mathrm{c}}}$$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\Delta}_{21} &= \Delta_{\rm c} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 + A_{\rm c} - \widehat{C}_{13}) + \alpha_{\rm c} (\mathcal{F} - \mathcal{G}) \right] ,\\ \widetilde{\Delta}_{31} &= \Delta_{\rm c} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 + A_{\rm c} + \widehat{C}_{13}) + \alpha_{\rm c} \mathcal{F} \right] ,\\ \widetilde{\Delta}_{32} &= \Delta_{\rm c} \left(\widehat{C}_{13} + \alpha_{\rm c} \mathcal{G} \right) , \\ \begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}\mathcal{F}/\mathrm{d}A_{\rm c} + \mathrm{d}\mathcal{G}/\mathrm{d}A_{\rm c}}{\mathcal{F} + \mathcal{G} = -\cos 2\theta_{12}} \end{split}$$



• $\tilde{\theta}_{12}$ can be understood by two-flavor neutrino mixing in matter, which will receive corrections near the resonance at $A_c = \cos 2\theta_{13}$ and for large values of A_c





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Find the extrema

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$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}A_{\mathrm{c}}}\left(\frac{\widetilde{\mathcal{J}}}{\mathcal{J}}\right) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}A_{\mathrm{c}}}\left(\frac{1}{\widehat{C}_{12}\widehat{C}_{13}}\right) = -\frac{1}{\widehat{C}_{12}^2\widehat{C}_{13}^2}\left[\widehat{C}_{13}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\widehat{C}_{12}}{\mathrm{d}A_{\mathrm{c}}}\right) + \widehat{C}_{12}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\widehat{C}_{13}}{\mathrm{d}A_{\mathrm{c}}}\right)\right]$$

$$\begin{split} A_{\rm c}^{(1)} &= \frac{\cos 2\theta_{12}}{\cos^2 \theta_{13}} \alpha_{\rm c} \ , \\ A_{\rm c}^{(2)} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(3\cos 2\theta_{13} + \frac{\cos 2\theta_{12}}{\cos^2 \theta_{13}} \alpha_{\rm c} - \sqrt{1 - 9\sin^2 2\theta_{13}} - \frac{2\cos 2\theta_{12}\cos 2\theta_{13}}{\cos^2 \theta_{13}} \alpha_{\rm c} \right) \\ A_{\rm c}^{(3)} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(3\cos 2\theta_{13} + \frac{\cos 2\theta_{12}}{\cos^2 \theta_{13}} \alpha_{\rm c} + \sqrt{1 - 9\sin^2 2\theta_{13}} - \frac{2\cos 2\theta_{12}\cos 2\theta_{13}}{\cos^2 \theta_{13}} \alpha_{\rm c} \right) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\widetilde{\mathcal{J}}}{\mathcal{J}}\right)\Big|_{(1)}^{\max} &= \frac{1}{\sin 2\theta_{12}} \left(1 + \cos 2\theta_{12} \cos 2\theta_{13} \sec^2 \theta_{13} \alpha_c\right) ,\\ \left(\frac{\widetilde{\mathcal{J}}}{\mathcal{J}}\right)\Big|_{(2)}^{\min} &= \frac{4\sqrt{2} \sec^2 \theta_{13} \alpha_c}{\sqrt{4 - 3(1 - 3\sin^2 2\theta_{13})^2 + \cos 2\theta_{13}(1 - 9\sin^2 2\theta_{13})^{3/2}}} ,\\ \left(\frac{\widetilde{\mathcal{J}}}{\mathcal{J}}\right)\Big|_{(3)}^{\max} &= \frac{4\sqrt{2} \sec^2 \theta_{13} \alpha_c}{\sqrt{4 - 3(1 - 3\sin^2 2\theta_{13})^2 - \cos 2\theta_{13}(1 - 9\sin^2 2\theta_{13})^{3/2}}} ,\end{split}$$

- We find excellent agreement between analytical 8 numerical calculations
- The extrema are associated with two resonances corresponding to $\Delta_{21} \& \Delta_{c}$
- A new way to understand matter effects on neutrino oscillations!

An Integral Way to Understand RG Running 27 One-loop RGEs for the quark and lepton Yukawa coupling matrices $16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\mathrm{u}}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left| \alpha_{\mathrm{u}} + \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{\mathrm{u}} Y_{\mathrm{u}}^{\dagger} \right) - \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{\mathrm{d}} Y_{\mathrm{d}}^{\dagger} \right) \right| Y_{\mathrm{u}},$ $\alpha_{\rm u} = -\frac{17}{20}g_1^2 - \frac{9}{4}g_2^2 - 8g_3^2 + \chi,$ Standard Model $16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\mathrm{d}}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left| \alpha_{\mathrm{d}} - \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{\mathrm{u}} Y_{\mathrm{u}}^{\dagger} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{\mathrm{d}} Y_{\mathrm{d}}^{\dagger} \right) \right| Y_{\mathrm{d}},$ $\alpha_{\rm d}\,=\,-\frac{1}{^{_{\cal A}}}g_1^2 {-}\frac{9}{^{_{\cal A}}}g_2^2 {-}8g_3^2 {+}\chi\,,$ with three $16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\alpha_{\nu} + \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{\nu} Y_{\nu}^{\dagger}\right) - \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_{l} Y_{l}^{\dagger}\right) \right] Y_{\nu},$ $\alpha_{\nu} = -\frac{9}{20}g_1^2 - \frac{9}{4}g_2^2 + \chi,$ massive Dirac $16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_l}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left| \alpha_l - \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger \right) + \frac{3}{2} \left(Y_l Y_l^\dagger \right) \right| Y_l,$ $\alpha_{l} = -\frac{9}{4}g_{1}^{2} - \frac{9}{4}g_{2}^{2} + \chi,$ neutrinos $t \equiv \ln(\mu/\Lambda_{\rm EW}) \quad \chi \equiv {\rm Tr} \left[3(Y_{\rm u}Y_{\rm u}^{\dagger}) + 3\left(\overline{Y_{\rm d}Y_{\rm d}^{\dagger}}\right) + (Y_{\nu}Y_{\nu}^{\dagger}) + \left(Y_{l}Y_{l}^{\dagger}\right) \right]$ Gauge couplings $16\pi^2(\mathrm{d}g_i/\mathrm{d}t) = b_i g_i^3 \{b_3, b_2, b_1\} = \{-7, -19/6, 41/10\}$ Choose the flavor basis where $16\pi^{2} \frac{\mathrm{d}D_{\mathrm{u}}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\alpha_{\mathrm{u}} + \frac{3}{2}D_{\mathrm{u}}^{2}\right] D_{\mathrm{u}}, \quad 16\pi^{2} \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\alpha_{\nu} - \frac{3}{2}D_{l}^{2}\right] Y_{\nu},$ Y_u and Y_l are diagonal:

In consideration of the strong hierarchy of fermion Yukawa couplings, the down-type quark and neutrino Yukawa terms on the right-hand side are safely omitted

 $16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\mathrm{d}}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\alpha_{\mathrm{d}} - \frac{3}{2}D_{\mathrm{u}}^2\right]Y_{\mathrm{d}}, \quad 16\pi^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}D_l}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\alpha_l + \frac{3}{2}D_l^2\right]D_l,$

 $Y_{u} = \operatorname{diag}\{y_{u}, y_{c}, y_{t}\} \equiv D_{u}$

 $Y_l = \text{diag}\{y_e, y_\mu, y_\tau\} \equiv D_l$

An Integral Way to Understand RG Running



RG Running vs. Matter Effects on Flavor Mixing

RG running of flavor mixing parameters

$$\begin{aligned} X_{q}' &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{cu}' Z_{uc}' & \Delta_{tu}' Z_{ut}' \\ \Delta_{uc}' Z_{cu}' & 0 & \Delta_{tc}' Z_{ct}' \\ \Delta_{ut}' Z_{tu}' & \Delta_{ct}' Z_{tc}' & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ X_{l} &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{e\mu} Z_{\mu e} & \Delta_{\tau e} Z_{e\tau} \\ \Delta_{\mu e} Z_{e\mu} & 0 & \Delta_{\mu \tau} Z_{\tau \mu} \\ \Delta_{e\tau} Z_{\tau e} & \Delta_{\tau \mu} Z_{\mu \tau} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ X_{q} &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{cu} Z_{uc} & \Delta_{tu} Z_{ut} \\ \Delta_{uc} Z_{cu} & 0 & \Delta_{tc} Z_{ct} \\ \Delta_{ut} Z_{tu} & \Delta_{ct} Z_{tc} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \tilde{X}_{l} &= i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Delta_{e\mu} \widetilde{Z}_{\mu e} & \Delta_{\tau e} \widetilde{Z}_{e\tau} \\ \Delta_{\mu e} \widetilde{Z}_{e\mu} & 0 & \Delta_{\mu \tau} \widetilde{Z}_{\tau \mu} \\ \Delta_{e\tau} \widetilde{Z}_{\tau e} & \Delta_{\tau \mu} \widetilde{Z}_{\mu \tau} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \tilde{J}_{q}' \Delta_{sd}' \Delta_{bd}' \Delta_{bs}' = I_{d}^{6} \xi_{u}^{2} \xi_{c}^{2} \xi_{t}^{2} \mathcal{J}_{q} \Delta_{sd} \Delta_{bd} \Delta_{bs} \\ \mathcal{J}_{\ell}' \Delta_{21}' \Delta_{31}' \Delta_{32}' = I_{\nu}^{6} \zeta_{e}^{2} \zeta_{\mu}^{2} \zeta_{\tau}^{2} \mathcal{J}_{\ell} \Delta_{21} \Delta_{31} \Delta_{32} \end{aligned}$$
For quark flavor mixing in media?
$$\widetilde{\mathcal{J}}_{\ell} \widetilde{\Delta}_{21} \widetilde{\Delta}_{31} \widetilde{\Delta}_{32} = \mathcal{J}_{\ell} \Delta_{21} \Delta_{31} \Delta_{32} \end{aligned}$$

• A complete set of differential equations have been derived and applied to understand matter effects on effective neutrino mixing parameters

• Inspired by the matter effects on neutrino oscillations, we attempt to study RG running of quark and lepton flavor mixing in an integral way and find the integral invariants: direct relations between parameters at low- and high-energy scales

Matter effects on flavor

mixing parameters