



FASER実験によるLHCのビーム軸上での ニュートリノ測定



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ABSTRACT

We report the first direct observation of neutrino interactions at a particle collider experiment. Neutrino candidate events are identified in a 13.6 TeV center-of-mass energy pp collision dataset of 35.4 fb⁻¹ using the active electronic components of the FASER detector at the Large Hadron Collider. The candidates are required to have a track propagating through the entire length of the FASER detector and be consistent with a muon neutrino charged-current interaction. We infer 153^{+12}_{-13} neutrino interactions with a significance of 16 standard deviations above the background-only hypothesis. These events are consistent with the characteristics expected from neutrino interactions in terms of secondary particle production and spatial distribution, and they imply the observation of both neutrinos and anti-neutrinos with an incident neutrino energy of significantly above 200 GeV.

v_u Observation (16 sigma)

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The Dawn of Collider Neutrino Physics

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The first observation of neutrinos produced at a particle collider opens a new field of study and offers ways to test the limits of the standard model.

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Figure 1: The Forward Search Experiment (FASER) is installed in a service tunnel that connects the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) and the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS). Proton collisions at the ATLAS experiment's interaction point (red star) generate beams of ne... Show more

New results from FASER*v*: statistical significance

v_e observation (5.1 sigma) reported on 21th Aug

FASER_v Preliminary

	Expected background		Expected	Observed	
	Hadron int.	ν NC int.	signal	Observed	
ν_e CC	0.002 <u>+</u> 0.002	_	1.2 ^{+4.0} -0.6	3	$p = 1.6 \times 10^{-7} (5.1\sigma)$
ν_{μ} CC	0.32 <u>+</u> 0.16	0.19 <u>+</u> 0.15	4.4 ^{+4.2} _{-1.4}	4	$p = 5.2 \times 10^{-3} (2.5\sigma)$

3 v_e CC candidate events are observed.

→ Probability to be explained by background is 1.6×10^{-7} , corresponding to 5σ exclusion of the background-only hypothesis.

First direct observation of electron-neutrino CC interactions at the LHC

The performance of v_{μ} detection will be improved in future analysis using a longer range for μ ID.

FASER experiment



Concept of FASER is proposed in Aug 2017, located 480 m downstream from the ATLAS IP. Successfully started data taking in Run 3 from July 2022 for:

- Search for new weakly-coupled particles in the MeV-GeV range
 - proposed to CERN in 2018, approved by CERN in 2019
- Study of all flavors of neutrinos at the TeV-energy frontier
 - proposed to CERN in 2019, approved by CERN in 2020

 v_e , v_μ , v_τ ,

A', a, mCPs, DM, ...





Favorable location, except that refurbishment is needed to be an experimental site.

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• Background from collision point is only high-energy muon at about 1 /cm²/sec, thanks to ~100-m rock

A', a, mCPs, DM, ...

• Radiation level from LHC is quite low, around 4×10^{-3} Gy/year (= 4×10^{7} 1-MeV neutron/cm²/year)

Exploring neutrinos at the TeV-energy frontier

Sensitive to new physics by measuring scattering cross sections and studying the final states

• Expected number of CC neutrino interaction with 250 fb⁻¹ in Run 3

based on PhysRevD.104.113008



• Emulsion detector provides great ID for all leptons and heavy flavor hadrons from neutrino interaction





Breakdown of the LHC neutrino production



A new approach to measure proton PDFs (Parton Distribution Function)

- Gluon saturation
- Strange quark
- Charm quark



Important to have good energy resolution of $v_e,\,v_\mu,\,v_\tau$

 v_{τ} measurement

• Combined measurments with Emulsion, tracker and calorimeter (see next pages)



Civil engineering work









Nov 2020

The floor in TI12 excavated by ~50 cm to have the FASER detector on beam axis

FASER detector installation

FASER spectrometer (magnets and tracker), scintillators and calorimter



Emusion/Tungsten detector, IFT and scintillator



Emulsion/Tungsten detector

All flavors of neutrino interactions can be identified

- Heavy quark production also can be distinguished
- 730 x 1.1-mm-thick tungsten plates, interleaved with emulsion films
- 25 x 30 cm², 1.1 m long, 1.1 ton detector (220 X_0 / 8 λ_{int})
 - ~10000 $v_{\mu\prime}$ ~1000 v_e and ~10 v_{τ} expected in Run 3
- 3 replacements each year
 - emulsion will be produced a few months before installation



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Constant

~20% $\frac{\Delta p}{n}$ resolution

Mean

Sigma

 2153 ± 28.6

 0.22 ± 0.00

(Prec-Ptrue)/Ptrue

-0.05258 ± 0.00327

アライメント後の位置精度(100枚以上を再構成したデータ)



電子のエネルギー測定

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Shower maximum辺りの7枚におけるsegment数をエネルギー 測定に用いる。~25% $\frac{\Delta E}{E}$ resolution



データ中のtrackを上流側と下流側に分けて 運動量測定をして比較し、性能を評価

1400E

1200E

1000E

800F

600 400

200

E_{truth}

FASERv最新結果:ニュートリノ反応候補の描像

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Vertex information of the ν_{μ} **CC candidates**

- $v_e: p = 1.6 \times 10^{-7} (5.1\sigma)$
 - LHC電子ニュートリノ反応を初めて直接検出
- ν_{μ} : $p = 5.2 \times 10^{-3} (2.5\sigma)$
 - 今回は100層しかmuon IDに使っていないが、
 読み出しを進め、200-400層使えば改善できる。



 $\Delta \phi$

Electron Neutrino Event



Vertex with 11 tracks

e-like track from vertex

- Single track for 2X₀
- Shower max at 7.8X₀
- $\Theta_c = 11 \text{mrad to beam}$

Back-to-back topology

• 175° between e & rest



Magnet system

The magnets were designed, constructed and measured by the CERN magnet group



Three 0.57 T permanent dipole magnets (1.5m-long x 1 and 1m-long x 2)

- Sufficient magnetic field to separate a pair of charged particles, assuming tracking detectors with good resolution
- Compact and robust design adapted to cope with limited space in the tunnel and limited access during Run3
- The assembled dipoles were measured with single-stretched wire (SSW) and 3D Hall probe mapper



Target for neutrino

Decay volume of new particles

Tracker station

ATLAS SCT module:

- 6cm x 12cm x 2 sides (40 mrad) •
- 80 um pitch/768 strips per side •
- Resolution: 17 um x 580 um •
- 6 ASICs per side •

Four stations; one station as an interface tracker to emulsion detector and three stations for spectrometer

Based on ATLAS SCT modules - 4 stations x 3 layers x 8 modules = 96 modules



Target for neutrino

Decay volume of new particles

Scintillation detectors

Four scintillator stations are assembled and installed

- Veto incoming charged particle, precise timing, and pre-shower for calorimeter
- Scintillators, light guides and PMT housing constructed at CERN scintillator lab (EP-DT)





Electromagnetic calorimeter

Calorimeter utilizes spare LHCb ECAL module x 4

- one module has:
 - 12 cm x 12 cm x 75 cm (25 X₀)
 - 66 layers of (2mm lead and 4mm scintillator)







Stable data taking thoughout 2022

The number of bunches in LHC has reached 2400 since August 2022

- Maximum trigger rate around 1.2 kHz, giving dead time less than 2%
- Physics coincidence trigger (foremost veto and the preshower scintillator station) around 200Hz
 - our main triggered background is not muons passing through from IP1 but particles triggering individual trigger stations



• only 850 pb⁻¹ (< 2.5% of full dataset) data lost due to operational issues

Muon event from LHC collission





Reconstructed momentum 21.9 GeV



LHC neutrino search

Signal: no signal in front veto and one high momentum track

140 120 100 100 100 40 20 0 10¹ 10¹ 10² 10³ 10³

FASER Preliminary

 $\mathcal{L} = 35.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

 10^{2}

Events

1. Good collision events

4. Timing and preshower consistent with \geq 1 MIP



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No signal (<40 pC) in 2 front vetos
 Signal (>40 pC) in other 3 vetos

- 5. Exactly **1 good fiducial** (r < 95 mm) track
- $p_T>100$ GeV and $\theta<25$ mrad
- Extrapolating to r<120 mm in front veto

Background estimation



Neutral hadron background: 0.11 ± 0.06 events expected



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Results – the first observation of LHC neutrino

Find 153 event after unblindig, corresponding to signal significance of 16 σ !!



Opening up a new filed – neutrino physics at collider

The birth of Collider Neutrinos (at the LHC)

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Upgrade planned for 2025

The preshower scintillator will be replaced by silicon pixel detector

- Installation is planned at the end of 2024, aiming to take data in 2025 (the last year of Run3)
- Separation of 2 close-by gammas down to 200 um enables us to get strong sensitivity for ALP -> 2 gamma
- Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (MAPS) with SiGe BiCMOS technology developed by University of Geneve



CERN research board formally approved this preshower project in April 2022

• Technical proposal is public: <u>https://cds.cern.ch/record/2803084/</u>

Existing

preshower

Calorimeter

preshower Calorimeter

Tracker

Tracker

Decay volume

Decay volume

Veto

Reminder: Jan 30th

FASER VIP VISIT



More photos: <u>http://cds.cern.ch/record/2847893?In=en</u>

Toward HL-LHC



A new facility called the Forward Physics Facility (FPF) under intensive discussion

- FASER progressing well, however TI12 is too small to exploit full physics potential in the forward region of the LHC
- Discussion started since 2020, summarizing white paper in March 2022 for snowmass
 - 5th FPF Meeting, Nov 2022: https://indico.cern.ch/event/1196506/
- 617 m from ATLAS interaction point (opposite side of FASER) near SM18
- 65m long, 9.7m wide, 7.7m high cavern; 88m high shaft and surface building







CERN civil engineering team provides a preliminary cost estimation of 40 MCHF including services

• ongoing drilling of a core at the proposed FPF location to assess the geological conditions.

2023 March/April – site investigation work



Drilling machine in place

Done by CERN Site and Civil engineering group



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Improvement of the TeV neutrino study



O(10³-10⁴) of Tau neutrino, allowing detailed measurement of final state

- The first Discrimination tau neutrino / anti-tau neutrino
- New information of proton PDF (gluon, charm, strange ..)



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Conclusion

FASER is a new forward experiment at the LHC in the unused tunnel, TI12 for:

- discovery of a light weakly-coupled particle in MeV-GeV range
 - Spectrometer (Tracker and magnets), scintillators and calorimeter installed in March 2021
 - preshower scintillator will be replaced by silicon pixel detector at the end of 2024
- probe all flavors of neutrinos at the TeV-energy frontier
 - Emulsion/Tungsten detector, veto scintillator and interface tracker installed in March 2022
 - Emulsion/Tungsten detector replaced every Technical Shutdown (~3 times in one year)

Successful data taking from the beginning of LHC Run3 in 2022

- the first search of MeV-GeV weakly-interacting particle -- no discovery but more will come soon!
- the first observation of TeV neutrino produced by colliders

Towards HL-LHC, Forward Physics Facility is proposed to host several experiments

- Workshop organized every half year for intensive discussion toward conceptual design
 - The last one (FPF6) was held in June 8-9 <u>https://indico.cern.ch/event/1275380</u>
 - The next one (FPF7) will come in Jan/Feb in 2024 (TBD)





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