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**Effects of Recent Reactor Anti-neutrino Spectra on Neutrino Oscillations** CIARA STERBENZ, Los Alamos National Lab and Columbia University — The  $\beta$ -decay of nuclear fission fragments produces a very large  $\bar{\nu}_e$  flux from nuclear reactions. The shape of the expected flux has previously been predicted by converting the measured  $\beta$ -electron spectrum to an  $\bar{\nu}_e$  spectrum. Recent reactor neutrino experiments, however, find a large shoulder in the observed  $\bar{\nu}_e$  spectrum relative to this prediction in the energy region 5 - 7 MeV. Accurate knowledge of the expected  $\bar{\nu}_e$  flux from reactors is important for oscillation experiments that only involve one neutrino detector. In this project, I examine the implications of these spectral changes on the  $\nu$  oscillation result found by the KamLAND experiment. At the time of their finding, the spectral anomaly from 5 - 7 MeV had not been observed. I have re-derived the oscillation parameters  $\Delta m^2$  and  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  using the anti-neutrino flux from Daya Bay and from nuclear database predictions. With these new expected fluxes, these oscillation parameters shifted and their uncertainties increased. I compare the new oscillation parameters with those derived from solar neutrino oscillation data.

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