

Determining supernova unknowns with the diffuse supernova neutrino background

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Neutrinos

Fermions

Quarks	u up	c charm	t top	Force carriers	γ photon	H Higgs boson
	d down	s strange	b bottom		g gluon	
	e electron	μ muon	τ tau		Z Z boson	
Leptons	ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino	W W bosons		

Neutrino flavor and mass states

flavor basis mass basis

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{bmatrix} = U \begin{bmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{array}{c} \text{atmospheric} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{beam,} \\ \text{reactor} \\ \begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{CP}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{solar,} \\ \text{reactor} \\ \begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$c_{ij} = \cos(\theta_{ij}), s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}, \delta_{CP}$$

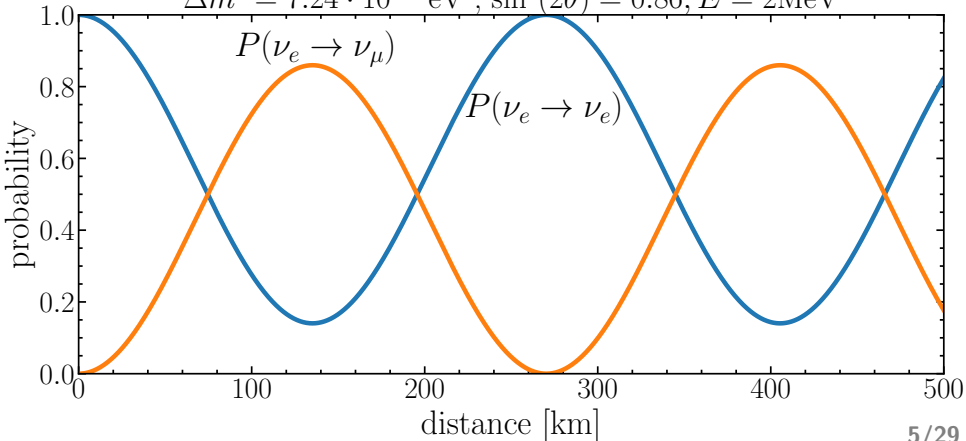
Neutrino oscillations in vacuum

2ν mixing = easy dependence on

$$P_{\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e} = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}$$

- mixing angle
- mass squared difference

$$\Delta m^2 = 7.24 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \sin^2(2\theta) = 0.86, E = 2\text{MeV}$$

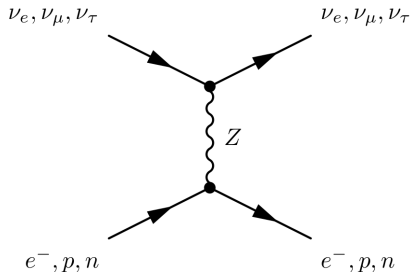
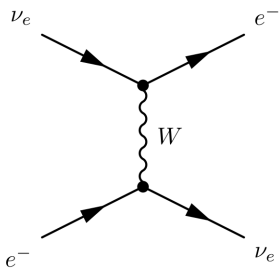


Neutrino oscillations in matter

$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2 2\tilde{\theta} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta\tilde{m}^2 L}{4E}$$

- $V_{CC} \rightarrow 0$, vacuum oscillations
- $V_{CC} \rightarrow \infty$, suppression of oscillations
- $V_{CC} = \frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} \cos 2\theta$, resonance enhancement of oscillations

$$V_{CC} \propto N_e$$



Density matrix evolution

$$\frac{d}{dx}\rho = -i[H, \rho],$$

$$H = U^\dagger \overset{\text{vacuum}}{\text{diag}(m_1^2, m_2^2, m_3^2)} U + \overset{\text{matter}}{\text{diag}(V_{CC}, 0, 0)}$$

$$\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{ee} & \rho_{e\mu} & \rho_{e\tau} \\ \rho_{\mu e} & \rho_{\mu\mu} & \rho_{\mu\tau} \\ \rho_{\tau e} & \rho_{\tau\mu} & \rho_{\tau\tau} \end{bmatrix}$$

Initial condition for very dense medium

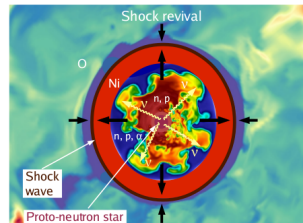
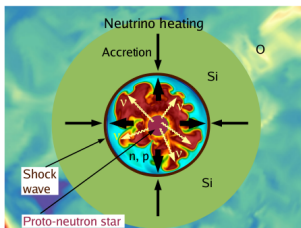
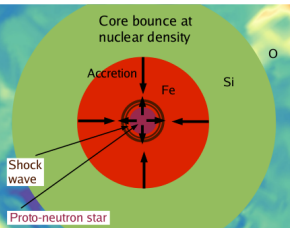
$$\rho = \begin{bmatrix} n_e & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n_\mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & n_\tau \end{bmatrix}, \quad n_\alpha = F_\alpha^0 / (F_e^0 + F_\mu^0 + F_\tau^0)$$

Core-collapse supernovae

What is core-collapse supernova?

Different phases of core-collapse supernova explosion

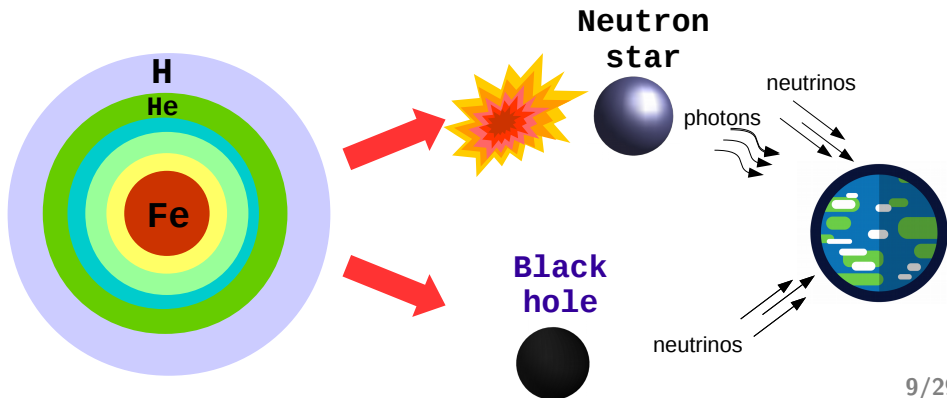
- neutronization phase, ν_e burst ~ 40 ms
- accretion phase, ~ 100 ms
- cooling phase, ~ 10 s



Core-collapse supernovae

Neutrinos:

- play a crucial role in the explosion mechanism
- can reveal the interior conditions of a collapsing star
- are the only messengers from the collapse to a black hole (+ GW)

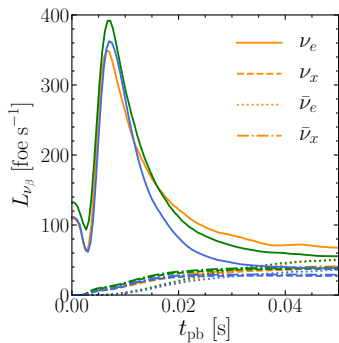


Neutrino emission properties from core-collapse progenitor stars

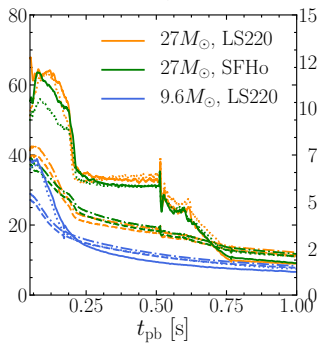
Progenitor stars forming neutron stars

1 foe = 10^{51} ergs

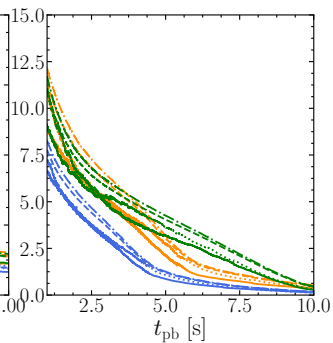
CC-SN progenitors



ν_e burst



accretion



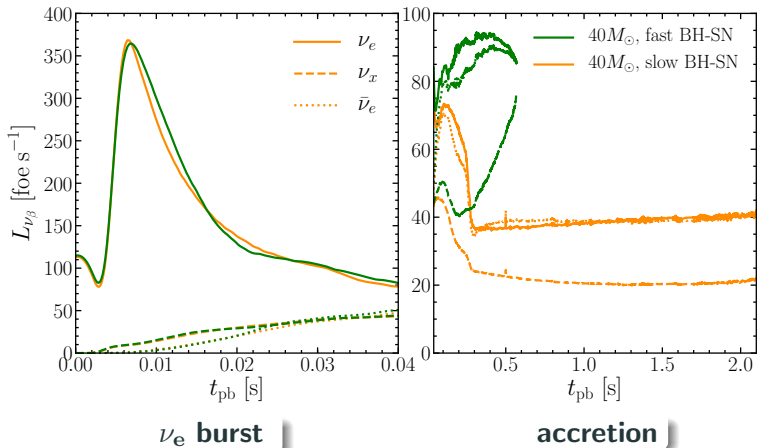
cooling

CC-SN

equation of state = LS220 or SFHo, mass = 9.6 M_\odot or 27 M_\odot

Progenitor stars forming black holes

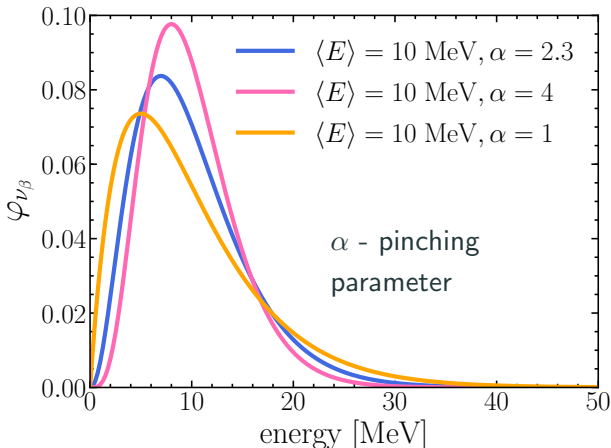
BH-SN progenitors



BH-SN

equation of state = LS220, mass = $40 M_\odot$, $t_{\text{BH}} = 0.57$ s or 2.1 s

Neutrino energy distribution



Differential neutrino flux

$$f_{\nu\beta}^0(E, t_{\text{pb}}) = \frac{L_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\phi_{\nu\beta}(E, t_{\text{pb}})}{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle} = \frac{F_{\nu\beta}^0(E, t_{\text{pb}})}{4\pi r^2}$$

Adiabatic oscillations

Assumptions

- slowly changing matter profile
- oscillations can follow the change of matter

Fluxes arriving at the Earth

$$F_{\alpha} = \sum_i |U_{\alpha i}|^2 F_i$$

~ 0.71 ~ 0.98

NO

$$F_{\bar{\nu}_e} = \cos^2 \theta_{12} \cos^2 \theta_{13} (F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 - F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0) + F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0 \approx \cos^2 \theta_{12} (F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 - F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0) + F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0$$

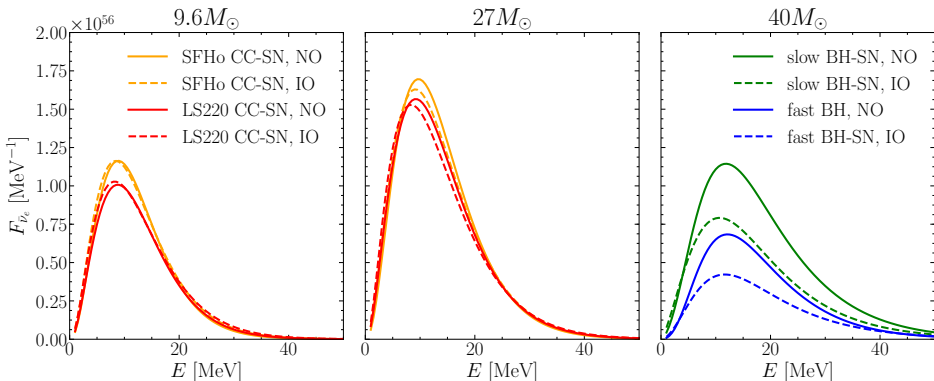
~ 0.02

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Time-integrated neutrino fluxes

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	CC-SN	BH-SN
high-energy neutrinos	fewer	more
distinguish progenitor	no	yes
distinguish mass ordering	no	yes

Diffuse supernova neutrino background

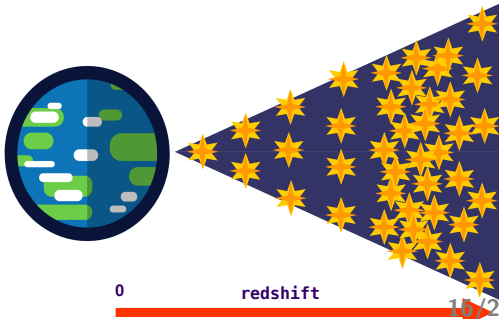
Diffuse supernova neutrino background (DSNB)

$$\Phi_{\nu\beta}(E) = \frac{c}{H_0} \int_{8M_\odot}^{125M_\odot} dM \int_0^{z_{\max}} dz \frac{R_{\text{SN}}(z, M)}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}} \times [f_{\text{CC-SN}} F_{\nu\beta, \text{CC-SN}}(E', M) + f_{\text{BH-SN}} F_{\nu\beta, \text{BH-SN}}(E', M)]$$

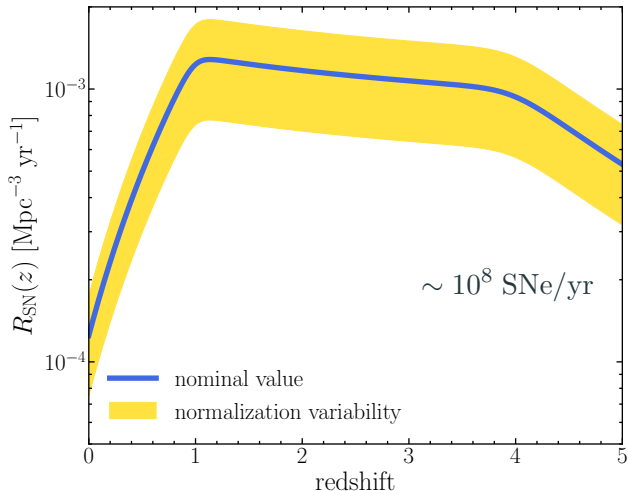
cosmological supernovae rate (points to $R_{\text{SN}}(z, M)$)
fraction of neutron-star-forming progenitors (points to $f_{\text{CC-SN}}$)
fraction of black-hole-forming progenitors (points to $f_{\text{BH-SN}}$)
oscillated neutrino flux
 $E' = (1+z)E$ (points to E')

The DSNB is sensitive to:

- R_{SN}
- $f_{\text{BH-SN}}$
- neutrino mass ordering
- equation of state
- mass accretion rate in BH-SN

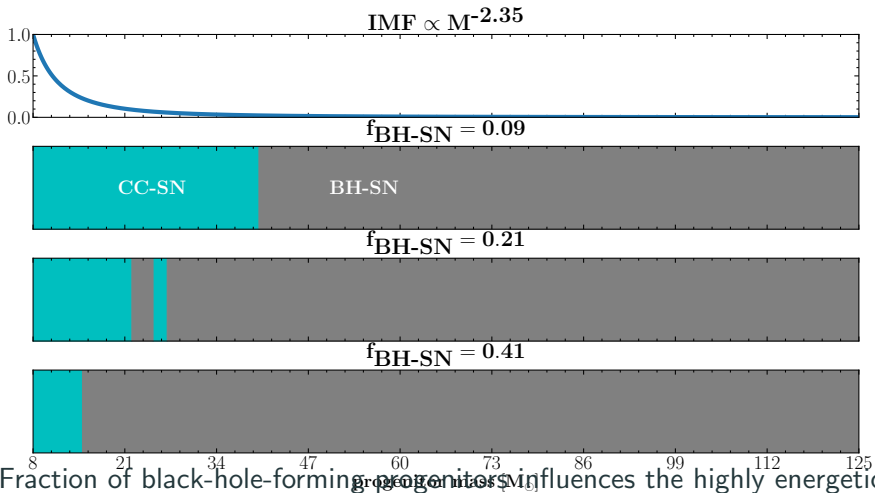


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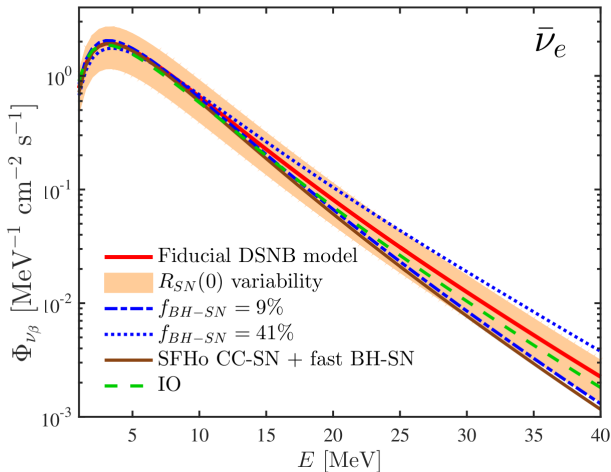


The supernovae rate influences the normalization of the DSNB.

Fraction of BH-forming progenitors



Diffuse supernova neutrino background

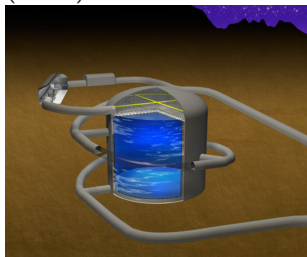


Fiducial DSNB model: $R_{SN}(0) = 1.25 \times 10^{-4}$ Mpc $^{-3}$ yr $^{-1}$, $f_{BH-SN} = 0.21$,
equation of state = LS220, mass accretion rate = slow

The DSNB event rate at future generation neutrino detectors

Future generation neutrino detectors

Hyper-Kamiokande (2025)



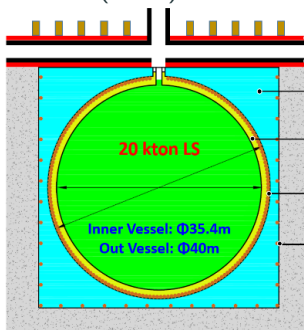
fiducial volume

2×187 kton

main detection channel



JUNO (2020)



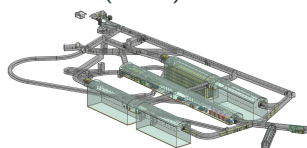
fiducial volume

17 kton

main detection channel



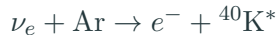
DUNE (2027)



fiducial volume

4×10 kton

main detection channel



**Super-Kamiokande
+ gadolinium**

3 σ detection in 10 yrs

Sources of background

	atmospheric BG				solar ν_e	reactor $\bar{\nu}_e$
	invisible μ	spallation	NC	$\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$		
HK (Gd)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
JUNO	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
DUNE	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No

Yes - sets lower limit for the DSNB detection window

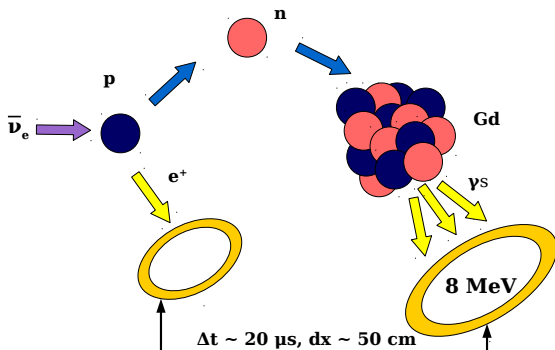
Yes - sets upper limit for the DSNB detection window

Yes - doesn't set limit for the DSNB detection window

Gadolinium sulfate enrichment

Neutron tagging in Gd-enriched water Cherenkov detectors

- coincidence detection of positron and neutron
- high cross section for neutron capture ~ 4900 barn
- elimination of spallation background
- reduction of invisible muon background



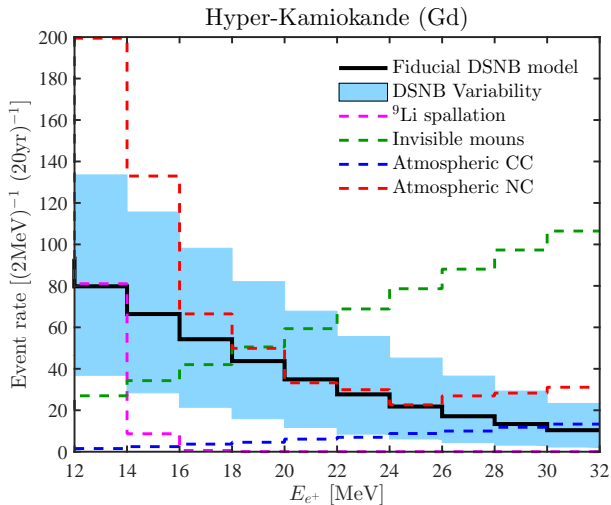
Interaction rates in detectors

$$R = \int \Phi \sigma N_t f$$

flux cross section number of targets

detector efficiency

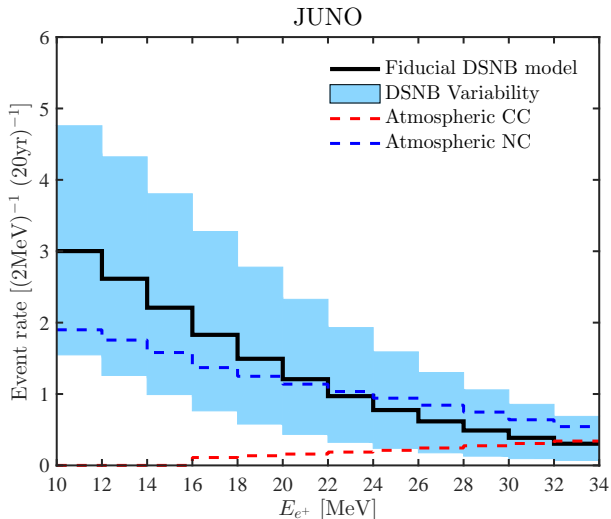
The DSNB event rates



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- HK (Gd) with NC:
 10σ [4.8 - 15]
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 12.5σ [6.2 - 18]

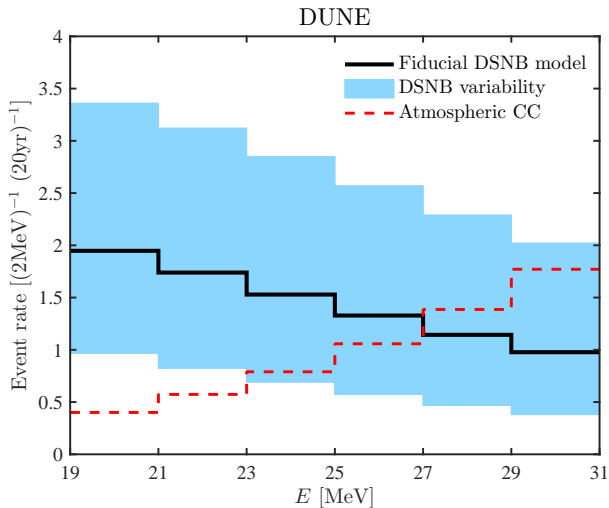
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- DUNE: 2.8σ [1.6-4]

Combined likelihood analyses

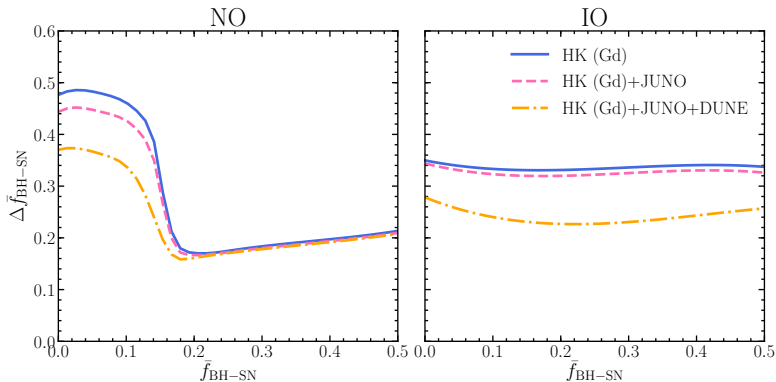
Significance test

$$\chi^2 = \min_A \left(\sum_j \chi_{A,j}^2 + \chi_{\text{HK}}^2 + \chi_{\text{JUNO}}^2 + \chi_{\text{DUNE}}^2 \right)$$

The set of parameters to be marginalized over:

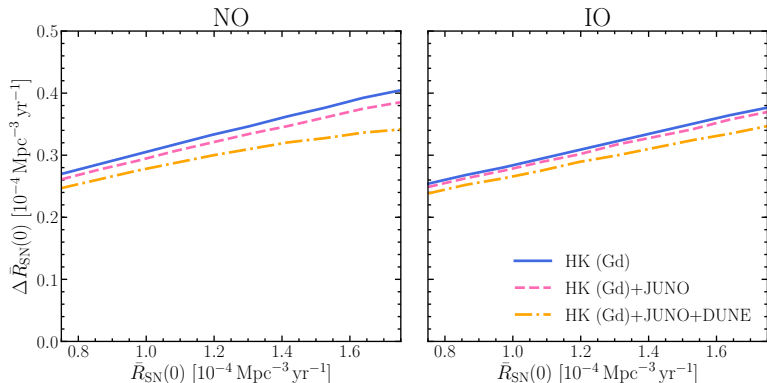
- $f_{\text{BH-SN}}$, $\Delta_{f_{\text{BH-SN}}} = 0.2$
- $R_{\text{SN}}(0)$, $\Delta_{R_{\text{SN}}(0)} = 0.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
- background normalization uncertainty, $\Delta_{\text{BG}} = 20\%$
- liquid argon cross section uncertainty, $\Delta_{\sigma_{\text{LAr}}} = 15\%$
- mass accretion rate - equation of state uncertainty

Expected 1σ uncertainty: fraction of BH forming progenitors

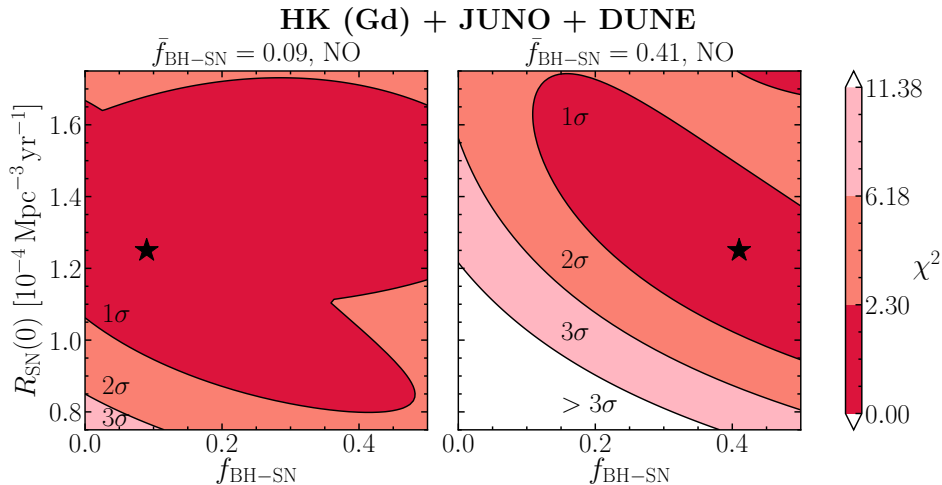


- The high uncertainty comes from $\bar{f}_{\text{BH-SN}}$ -mass accretion rate degeneracy
- DUNE is sensitive to neutrinos \rightarrow helps to reduce the uncertainty

Expected 1σ uncertainty: local supernova rate



Relative error of 20%-33% independent of the mass ordering.



Future improvements

Future improvements

- more progenitors
- neutrino-neutrino interactions
- 3D models
- $f_{\text{BH-SN}}(z)$
- muon formation feedback

Conclusions

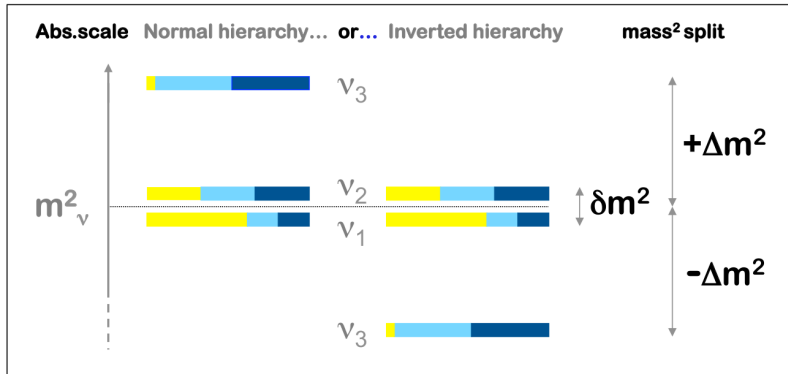
Conclusions

- Future neutrino detectors will detect and measure the DSNB
- The DSNB
 - is sensitive to the fraction of BH forming progenitors
 - is sensitive to the local supernovae rate
 - shows no discriminating power of the mass accretion rate
- Measurement = an independent check for EM and GW surveys

Backup slides

Neutrino mass ordering

e μ τ



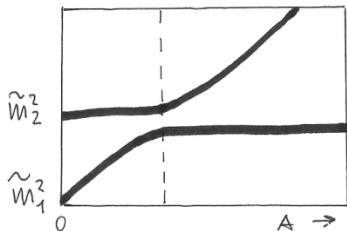
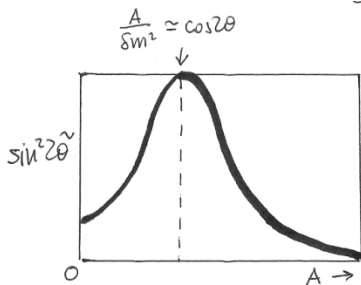
Effective mixing parameters

$$\sin 2\tilde{\theta} = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\sqrt{(\cos 2\theta - \frac{A}{\Delta m^2})^2 + \sin^2 2\theta}},$$

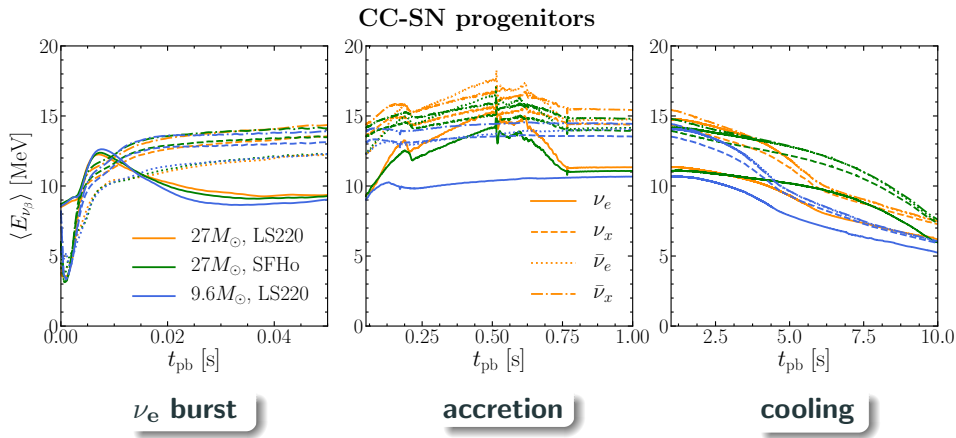
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$$\Delta\tilde{m}^2 = \Delta m^2 \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\sin 2\tilde{\theta}}$$

$$A = 2\sqrt{2}G_F N_e E$$



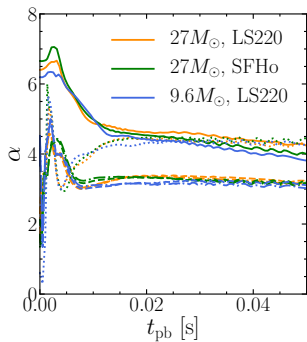
Progenitor stars forming neutron stars



Early times $\langle E_{\nu_e} \rangle < \langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle < \langle E_{\nu_x} \rangle$,

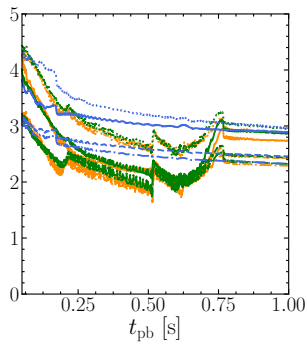
Late times $\langle E_{\nu_e} \rangle < \langle E_{\nu_x} \rangle < \langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle$

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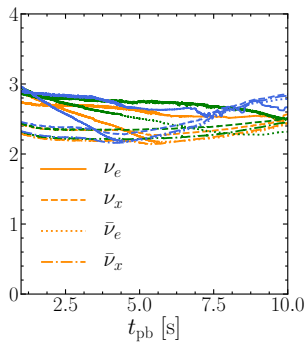


ν_e burst

CC-SN progenitors



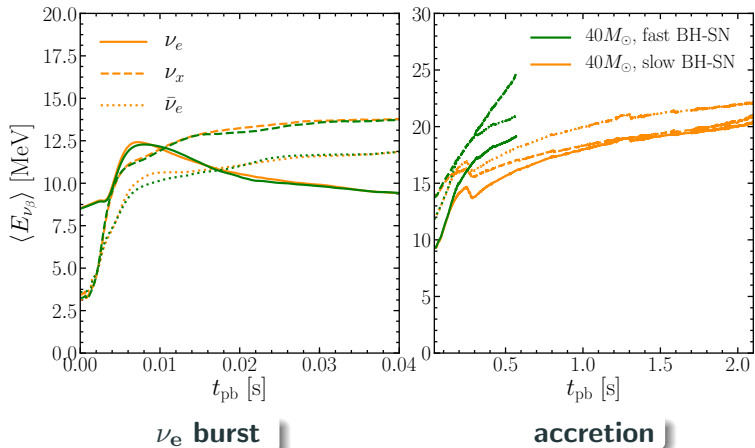
accretion



cooling

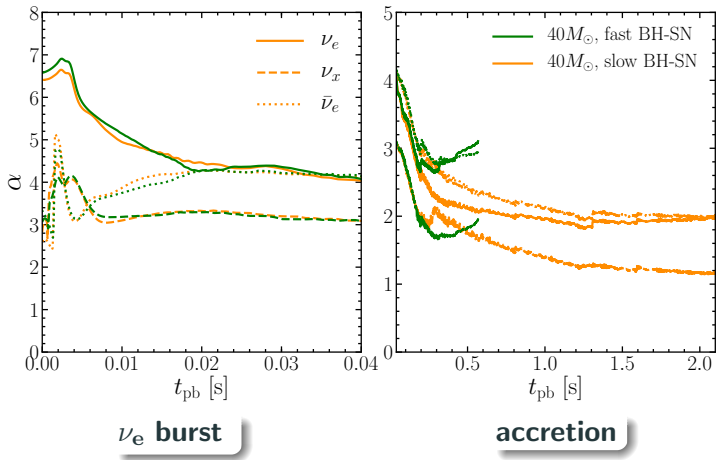
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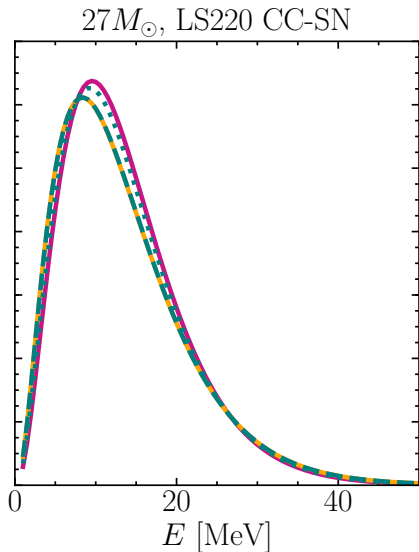
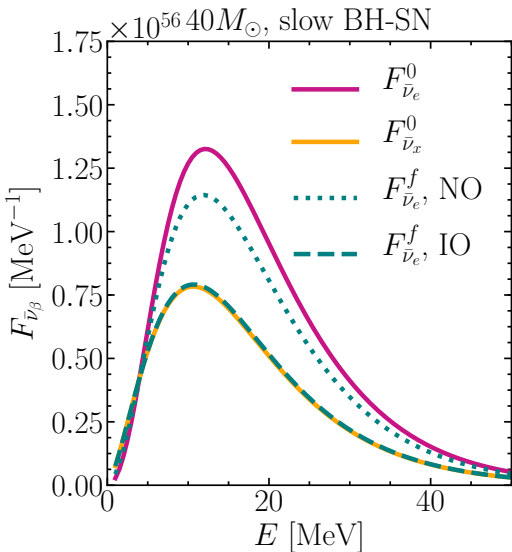


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Time-integrated neutrino fluxes



Neutrino energy distribution

$$\varphi_{\nu\beta}(E, t_{\text{pb}}) = \xi_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \left(\frac{E}{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle} \right)^{\alpha_{\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})} e^{-\frac{E(\alpha_{\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})+1)}{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle}}$$

normalization $1/\xi_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) = \int dE \varphi_{\nu\beta}(E, t_{\text{pb}})$

Pinching parameter

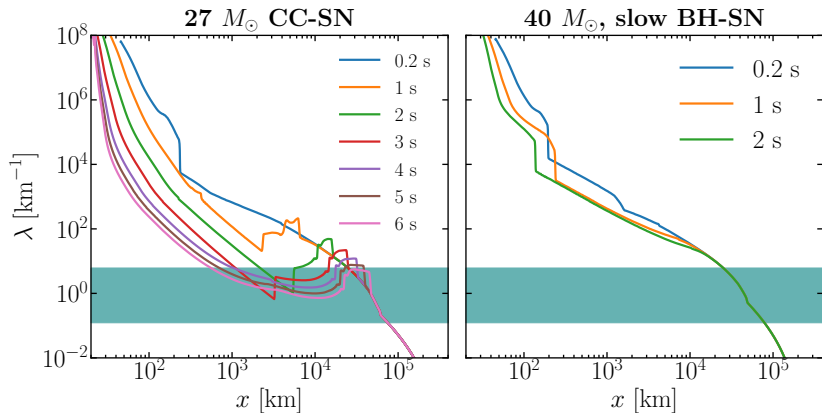
$$\alpha_{\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) = \frac{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})^2 \rangle - 2\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle^2}{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle^2 - \langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})^2 \rangle}.$$

Differential neutrino flux

$$f_{\nu\beta}^0(E, t_{\text{pb}}) = \frac{L_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}})}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\varphi_{\nu\beta}(E, t_{\text{pb}})}{\langle E_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) \rangle} = \frac{F_{\nu\beta}^0(E, t_{\text{pb}})}{4\pi r^2}$$

Mater potentials

Snapshots of matter potentials



resonance potential

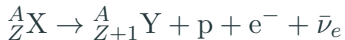
$$\lambda_{res} = \frac{\cos 2\theta_{13}\Delta m^2}{2E} = 2.538 \cos 2\theta_{13} \left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{eV^2}\right) \left(\frac{GeV}{E}\right) [\text{km}^{-1}]$$

Main sources of backgrounds

cosmic rays interactions with atmosphere

$$\begin{aligned}\pi^+ &\rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu & , & & \pi^- &\rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu \\ \mu^+ &\rightarrow e^+ + \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_e & , & & \mu^- &\rightarrow e^- + \nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_e\end{aligned}$$

reactor antineutrinos



neutrinos from the Sun

proton - proton chain reactions, i.e.,



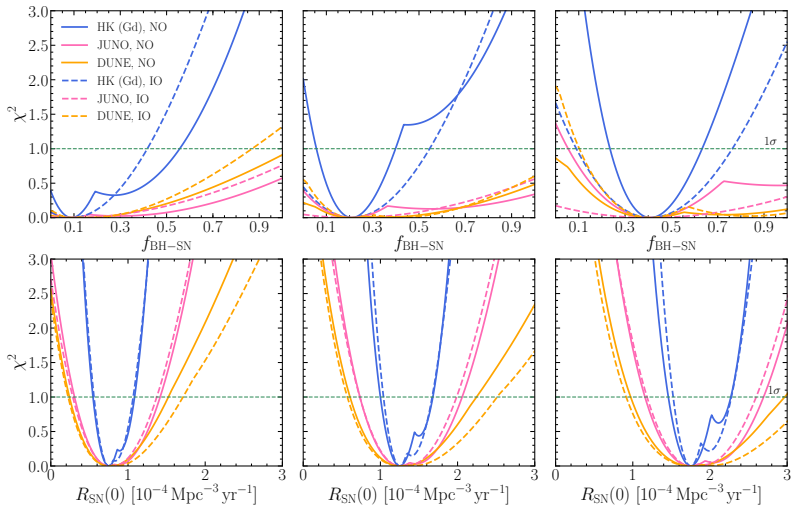
Assumed uncertainties:

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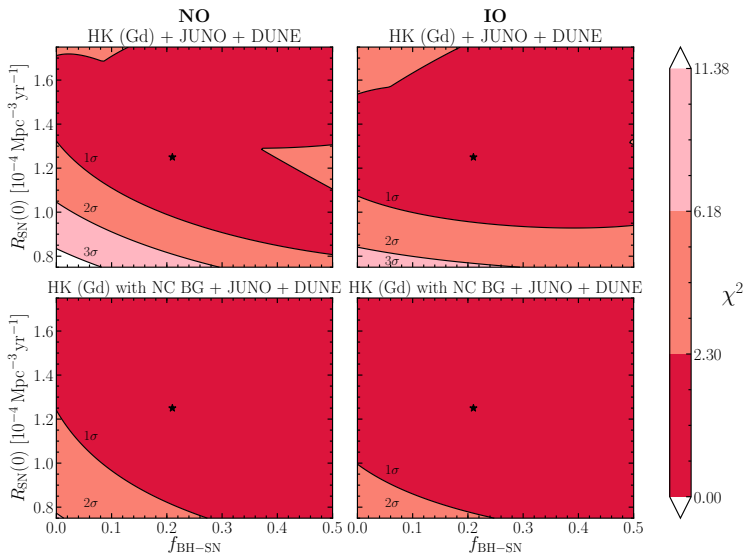
Pull terms: $\chi_{\text{BG}}^2 = \left(\frac{x}{\Delta_{\text{BG}}} \right)^2$,

$$\chi_{R_{\text{SN}}(0)}^2 = \left(\frac{R_{\text{SN}}(0) - \bar{R}_{\text{SN}}(0)}{\Delta_{R_{\text{SN}}(0)}} \right)^2$$

Expected 1D χ^2 as a function of $f_{\text{BH-SN}}$ and $R_{\text{SN}}(0)$



χ^2 for the fraction of BH forming progenitors - local supernova rate plane



Number of events in HK (Gd) energy window

