

# Towards probing the diffuse supernova neutrino background in all flavors

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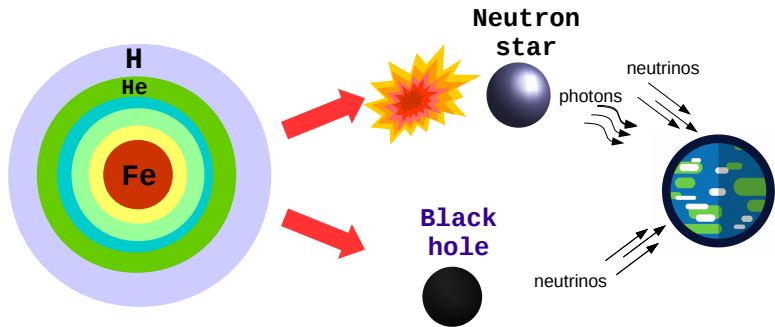


New Directions in Neutrino Flavor Evolution  
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# Why are neutrinos important for a core-collapse supernova?

## Neutrinos:

- $\sim 10^{58}$  of them emitted from a single core collapse
- only they (+ GW) can reveal the deep interior conditions
- only they (+ GW) are emitted from the collapse to a black hole



# Why core-collapse supernovae are good physics probes?

## Advantages

- extreme physical conditions not accessible on Earth: very high densities, long baselines etc.
- within our reach to detect (DUNE, SK, XENON & LZ...)

## What can we learn with a variety of detectors?

- explosion mechanism [H. Bethe & J. Wilson \(1985\), T. Fischer et al. \(2011\)...](#)
- yields of heavy elements [S. Woosley et al. \(1994\), S. Curtis et al. \(2018\)...](#)
- compact object formation [M. Warren et al. \(2019\), S. Li, J. F. Beacom et al. \(2020\)...](#)
- neutrino mixing [H. Duan et al. \(2010\), I. Tamborra & S. Shalgar \(2020\)...](#)
- non-standard physics [A. de Gouvêa et al. \(2019\), A. M. Suliga et al. \(2020\)...](#)

**Why focus only on a single rare event?**

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# Single event vs. multiple events

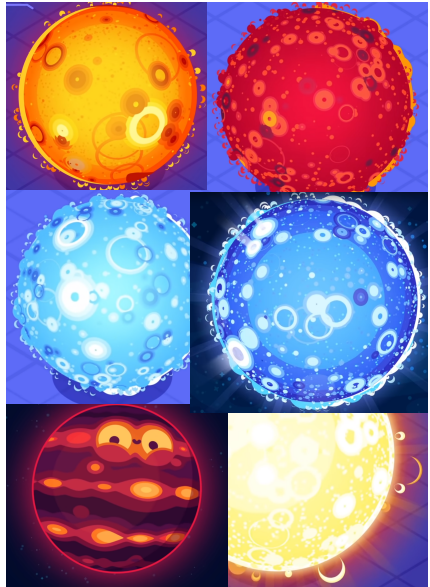


## Single galactic SN event

- rare event
- precise information about one star

## Multiple SN events (larger distances)

- cumulation of events
- uncovering any surprises



# Diffuse supernova neutrino background

$$\Phi_{\nu\beta}(E) = \frac{c}{H_0} \int dM \int dz \frac{R_{\text{SN}}(z, M)}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}} [f_{\text{CC-SN}} F_{\nu\beta, \text{CC-SN}}(E', M) + f_{\text{BH-SN}} F_{\nu\beta, \text{BH-SN}}(E', M)]$$

**cosmological supernovae rate** (orange arrow pointing to  $R_{\text{SN}}(z, M)$ )

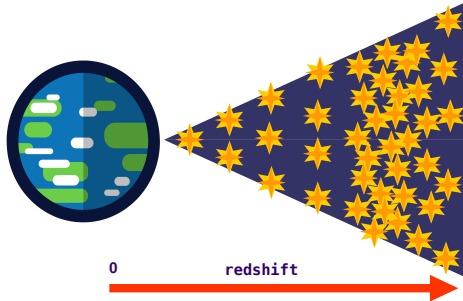
**fraction of black-hole-forming progenitors** (blue arrow pointing to  $f_{\text{BH-SN}}$ )

**fraction of neutron-star-forming progenitors** (red arrow pointing to  $f_{\text{CC-SN}}$ )

**neutrino flux from a single star** (purple arrow pointing to  $F_{\nu\beta, \text{CC-SN}}(E', M)$  and  $F_{\nu\beta, \text{BH-SN}}(E', M)$ )

The DSNB is sensitive to:

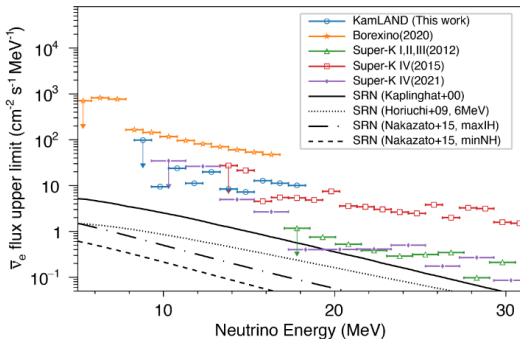
- $R_{\text{SN}}, f_{\text{BH-SN}}$
- neutrino mass ordering
- equation of state
- mass accretion rate in BH-SN
- non-standard physics



Guseinov (1967), Totani et al. (2009), Ando, Sato (2004), Lunardini (2009), Beacom (2010), Lunardini, Tamborra (2012), Møller, **Suliga** et al. (2018), Kresse et al. (2020)...

# Diffuse supernova neutrino background: current limits

Abe et al. (2021)



## DSNB limits:

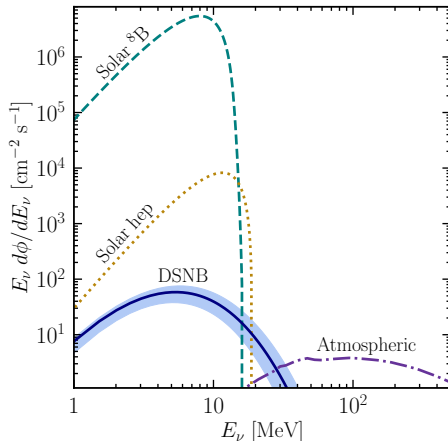
- $\bar{\nu}_e \approx 3 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $E_\nu > 17.3 \text{ MeV}$  Giampaolo et al. (2021)  
soon will be detected by SK + Gd Beacom, Vagins (2004)
- $\nu_e \approx 19 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $E_\nu \in [22.9, 36.9 \text{ MeV}]$  Mastbaum et al. (2020)  
possibly detectable by DUNE Zhu et al. (2019)

**Can we detect the  $x$ -flavor DSNB?**

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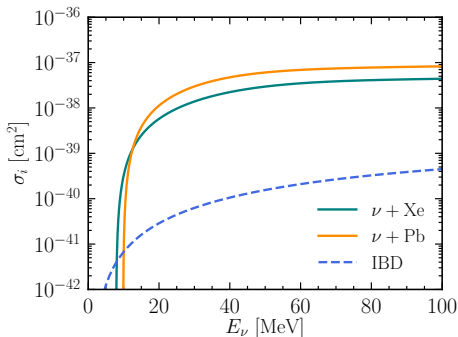
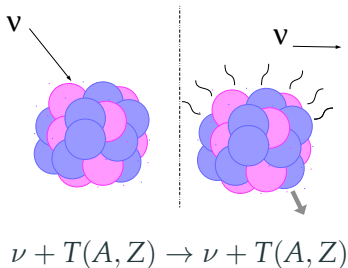
# Can we detect the $x$ -flavor DSNB? Maybe



DSNB modeling:  
Møller, Suliga,  
Tamborra, Denton  
(2018)

- Favor-blind channel: potential detection window  $\sim 18 - 30$  MeV
- Current limit:  $\nu_x \approx 750 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $E_\nu > 19.3$  MeV Lunardini, Peres (2008)

# Maybe: Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scatterings (CE $\nu$ NS)



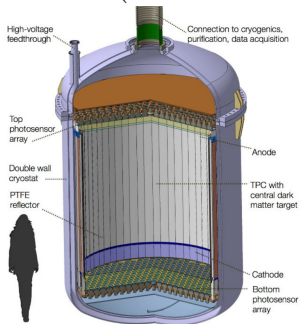
## Cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{SM}}}{dE_r} = \frac{G_F^2 m_T}{4\pi} Q_w^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_T E_r}{2E_\nu^2}\right) F^2(Q), \quad Q_w = [N - Z(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W)]$$

- coherently enhanced by the square of the neutron number
- flavor insensitive
- coherent up to  $\sim 50$  MeV

# Future generation CE $\nu$ NS detectors

## DARWIN (arXiv: 1606.07001)



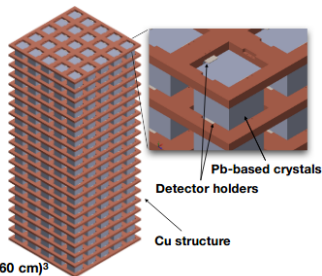
**fiducial volume:** 40 ton

**target material:** Xe

**threshold:** 1 keV

**efficiency:** XENON1T - 100%

## RES-NOVA (arXiv: 2004.06936)



**Total Pb volume (60 cm)<sup>3</sup>**

**fiducial volume:** 2.4 - 456 ton

**target material:** Pb

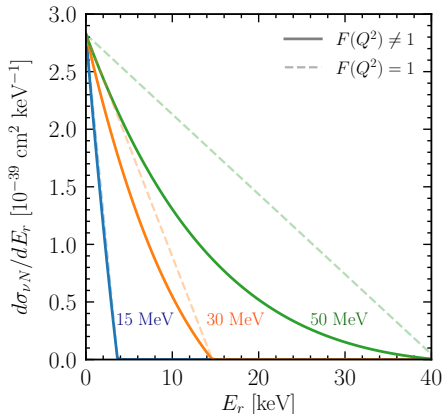
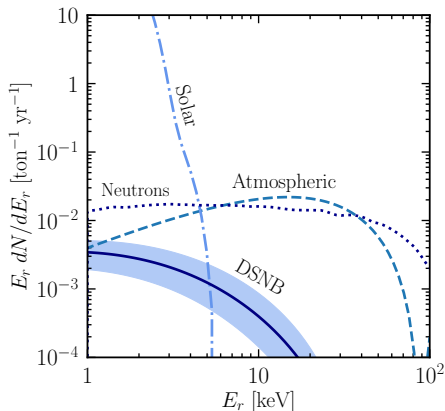
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### Scattering rate

$$\frac{dR_{\nu N}}{dE_r dt} = N_T \epsilon(E_r) \int dE_\nu \frac{d\sigma_{\nu N}}{dE_r} \psi(E_\nu, t) \Theta(E_r^{\max} - E_r), \quad E_r^{\max} = \frac{2E_\nu^2}{m_T + 2E_\nu}$$

# Event rate in the xenon-based detector

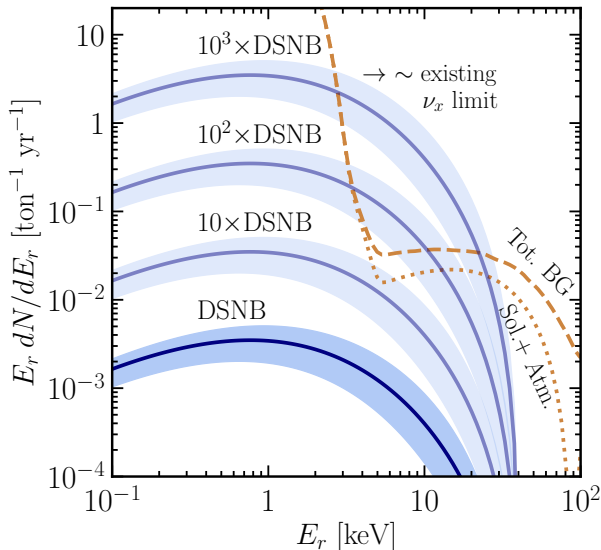


- The potential energy window displayed by the bare fluxes disappears
- Reason: Low energy recoils are most probable for all neutrino energies
- Detection of the  $x$ -flavor DSNB seems out of reach, BUT...

**Can we improve the limits on the  
 $x$ -flavor DSNB?**

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# YES: Scaled event rate in the xenon-based detector

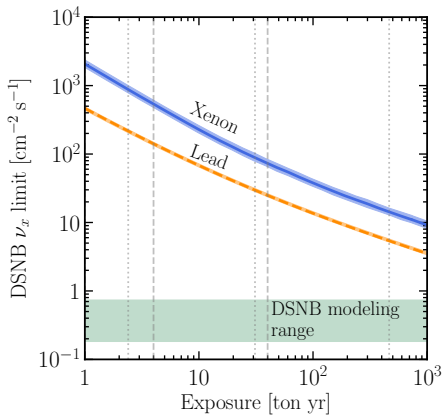
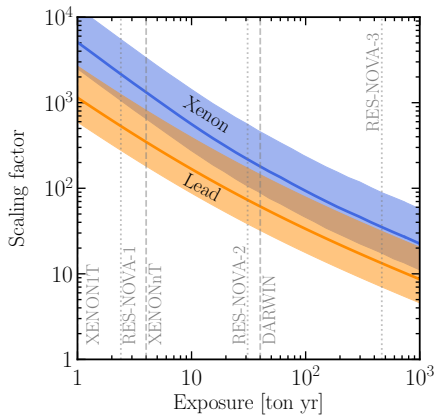


- Potential for an improvement by  $\gtrsim 1 - 2$  orders of magnitude

# Sensitivity bounds on the $x$ -flavor DSNB

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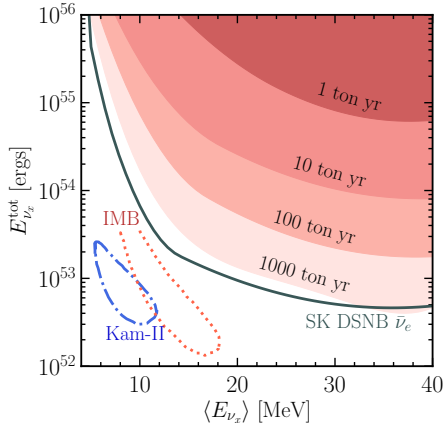
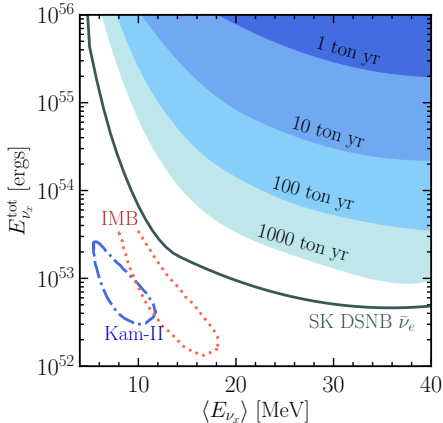
# Sensitivity bounds on the normalization of the x-flavor DSNB



- XENON1T, RES-NOVA-1: limits comparable to the SK  $\nu_x$  DSNB limit
- Constant energy window: limits can improve  $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$  for wider windows at small exposures and narrower windows at large exposures



# Sensitivity bounds on the x-flavor DSNB



- Simple DSNB: all supernovae emit the same Fermi-Dirac  $\nu_x$  spectrum
- Potential handle on the normalization and mean energy of the SN  $\nu_x$
- 1000 ton yr: limits comparable with current SK limit on  $\bar{\nu}_e$  DSNB

## Conclusions

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## Diffuse supernova neutrino background

- $\bar{\nu}_e$ : soon to be detected by SK + Gd
- $\nu_e$ : possibly detectable by DUNE
- $\nu_x$ :
  - XENON1T yields a comparable limit to the existing one from SK
  - CE $\nu$ NS detectors can improve the existing limits  $\gtrsim 100$

## Improved limits on the $x$ -flavor DSNB

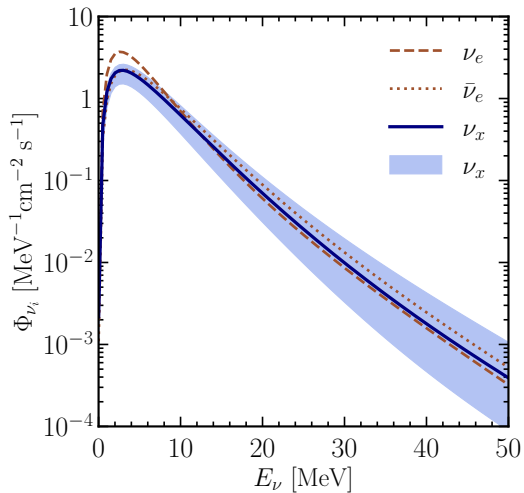
- help us to rule out potential non-standard scenarios
- bring us closer to understanding the supernova physics

**Thank you for the attention!**

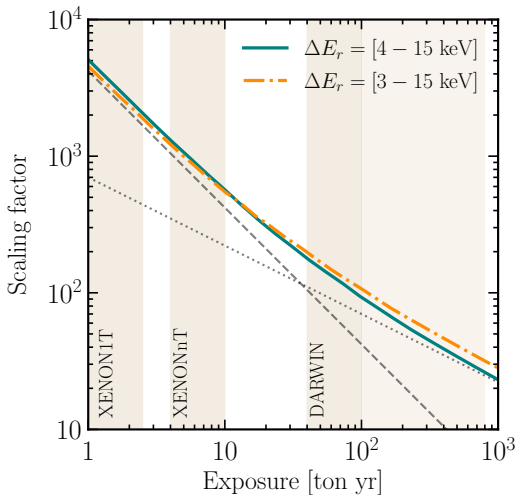
## **Backup slides**

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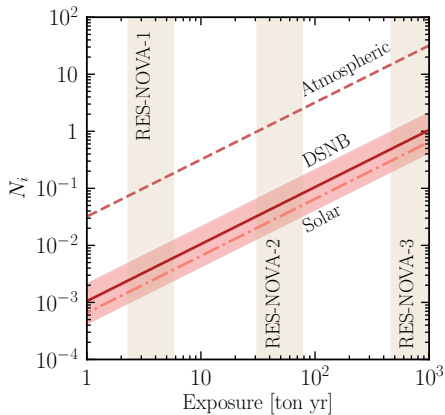
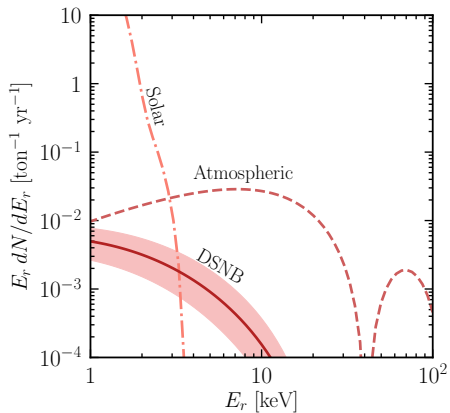
# DSNB variability



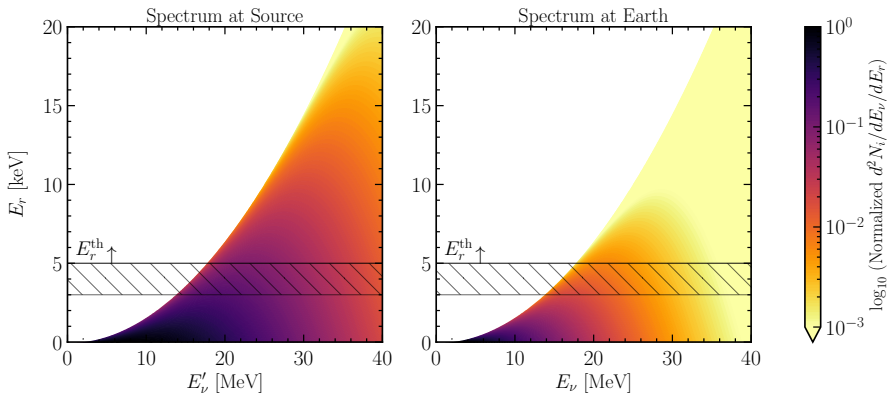
# Sensitivity of the limits to a detection window



# Event rate: lead detector



# Which part of the spectrum are $CE\nu NS$ detectors sensitive to?

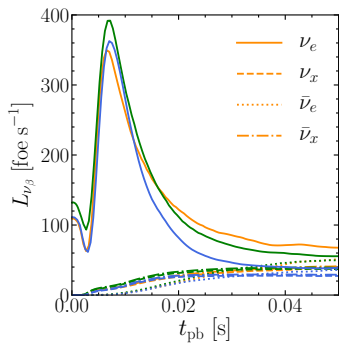




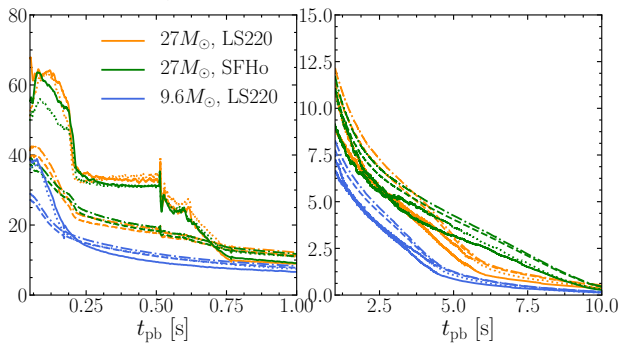
# Core-collapse supernovae

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## CC-SN progenitors



$\nu_e$  burst



accretion

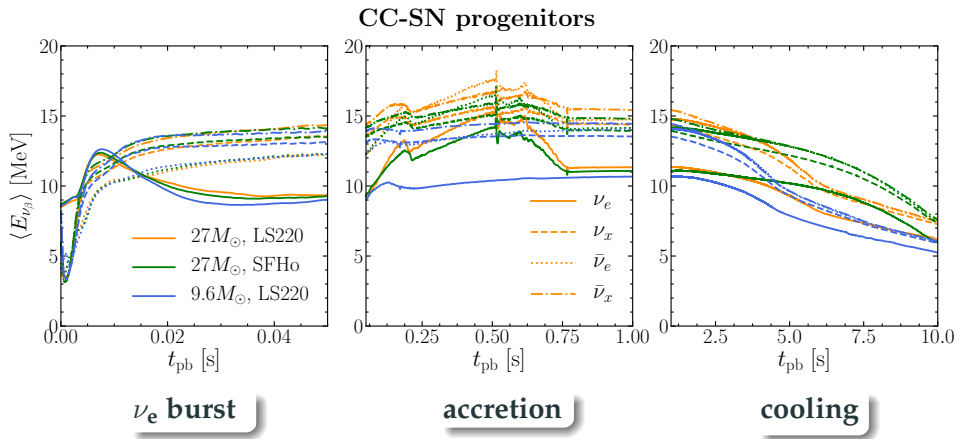
cooling

CC-SN

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

Garching core-collapse supernova archive

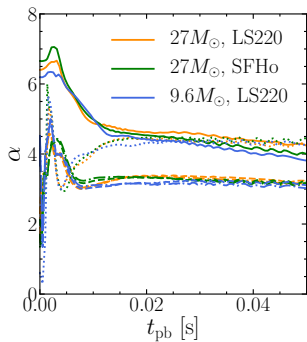
# Progenitor stars forming neutron stars



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

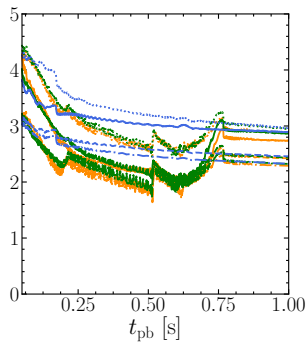
Late times  $\langle E_{\nu_e} \rangle < \langle E_{\nu_x} \rangle < \langle E_{\bar{\nu}_e} \rangle$

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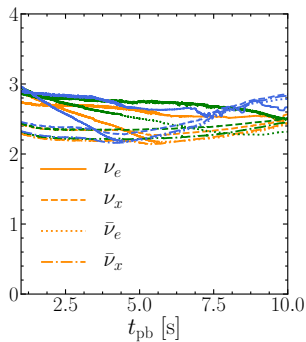


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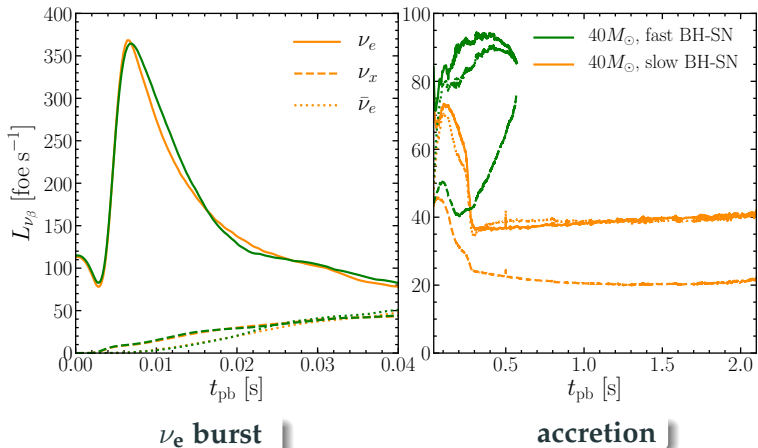
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# Failed Supernovae

## BH-SN progenitors

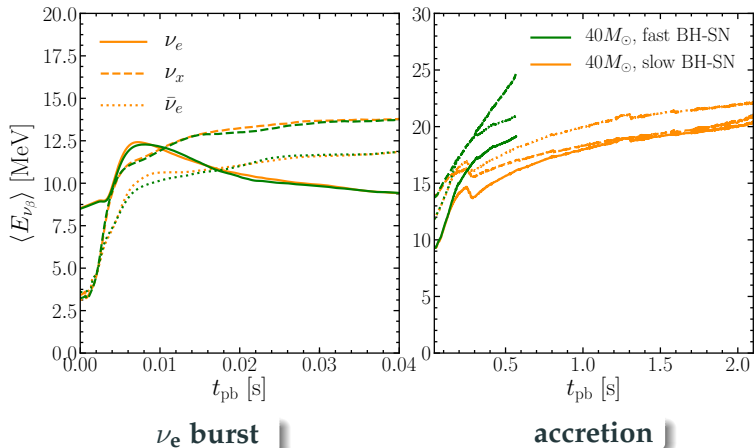


**BH-SN**

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

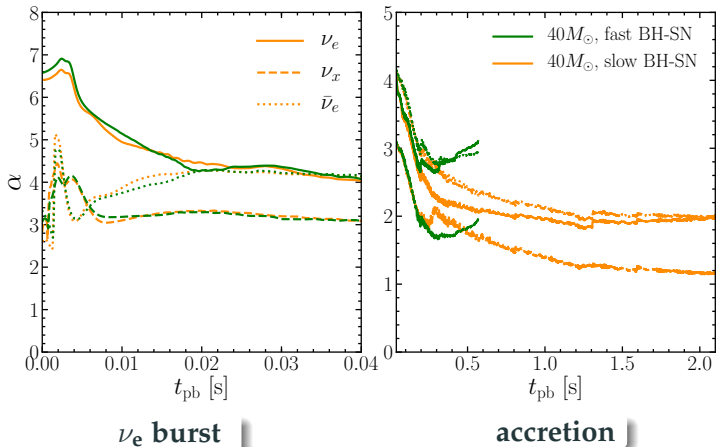
# Progenitor stars forming black holes

## BH-SN progenitors



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## Neutrino energy distribution

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

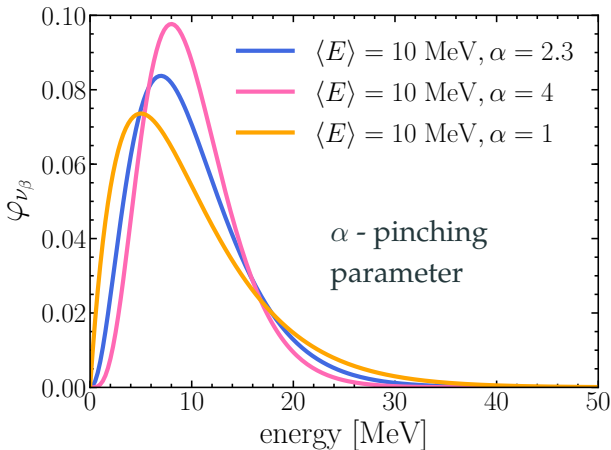
normalization  $1/\xi_{\nu\beta}(t_{\text{pb}}) = \int dE \varphi_{\nu\beta}(E, t_{\text{pb}})$

## Pinching parameter

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

# Neutrino fluxes

## Neutrino energy distribution

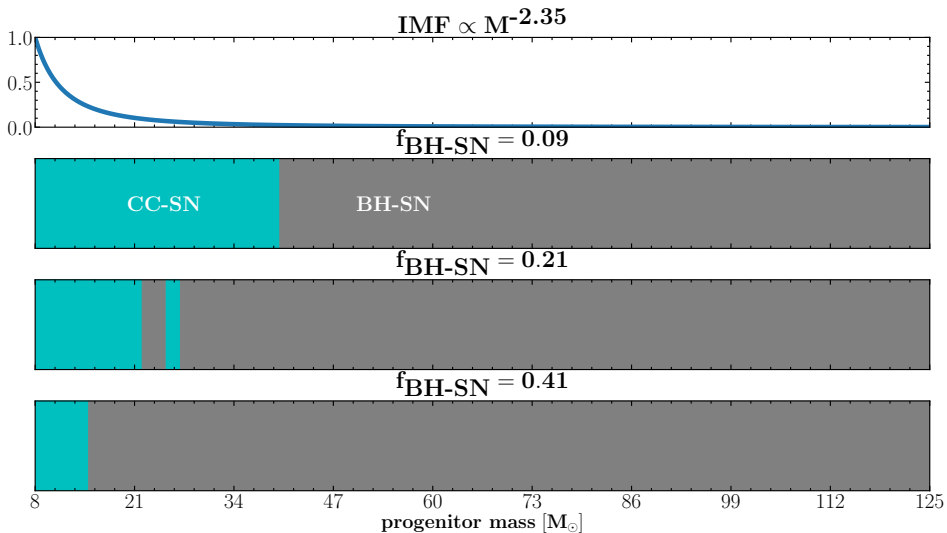


## Differential neutrino flux

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



# Fraction of BH-forming progenitors



Ertl et al. [arXiv:1503.07522](https://arxiv.org/abs/1503.07522), Sukhbold et al. [arXiv:1510.04643](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.04643),  
Adams et al. [arXiv:1610.02402](https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.02402), Heger et al. [arXiv:0112059](https://arxiv.org/abs/0112059)

# Core-collapse supernova rate

