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Newborn Neutron Star



Gravitational binding energy $E_{\rm b} \approx 3 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg} \approx 17\% \text{ M}_{\text{SUN}} \text{ c}^2$

This shows up as 99% Neutrinos 1% Kinetic energy of explosion (1% of this into cosmic rays) 0.01% Photons, outshine host galaxy

Neutrino luminosity $L_{\nu} \approx 3 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg } / 3 \text{ sec}$ $\approx 3 \times 10^{19} L_{SUN}$ While it lasts, outshines the entire visible universe

Diffuse Supernova Neutrino Background (DSNB)

Supernova rate approximately 1 SN / $10^{10} L_{Sun,B}$ / 100 years $L_{sun,B} = 0.54 L_{sun} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ erg/s}$ $E_v \sim 3 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg per core-collapse}$

Core-collapse neutrino luminosity of typical galaxy comparable to photon luminosity (from nuclear burning)

Core-collapse rate somewhat larger in the past. Estimated present-day \overline{v}_e flux ~ 10 cm⁻¹ s⁻¹

Pushing the boundaries of neutrino astronomy to cosmological distances



FIG. 1: Spectra of low-energy $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ coincidence events and the sub-Čerenkov muon background. We assume full efficiencies, and include energy resolution and neutrino oscillations. Singles rates (not shown) are efficiently suppressed.

Beacom & Vagins, hep-ph/0309300 [Phys. Rev. Lett., 93:171101, 2004]

Realistic DSNB Estimate





FIG. 4: DSNB flux spectrum for emitted neutrino spectra as labeled. For each spectrum, two curves are plotted representing the full range of uncertainties due to astrophysical inputs (the fiducial prediction lies in between). The shadings indicate backgrounds, with origins as labeled. Decays of invisible muons and spallation products would be reduced in a gadolinium-enhanced SK, opening the energy region 10 MeV and above to a rate-limited DSNB search; see Fig. 5.

FIG. 5: DSNB event rates at SK (flux spectra weighted with the detection cross section) against positron energy. Note the linear axis. We hatch in the 2003 upper limit by the Super-Kamiokande Collaboration, < 2 events $(22.5 \text{ kton yr})^{-1}$ in the energy range 18–26 MeV. The limit applies to all spectra (see text). In a gadolinium-enhanced SK, decays of invisible muon and spallation products would be reduced, opening up the energy range $\gtrsim 10$ MeV for DSNB search (unshaded region).

Horiuchi, Beacom & Dwek, arXiv:0812.3157v3

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Tarantula Nebula

Large Magellanic Cloud Distance 50 kpc (160.000 light years)

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Supernova 1987A 23 February 1987

Neutrino Signal of Supernova 1987A



Kamiokande-II (Japan) Water Cherenkov detector 2140 tons Clock uncertainty ±1 min

Irvine-Michigan-Brookhaven (US) Water Cherenkov detector 6800 tons Clock uncertainty ±50 ms

Baksan Scintillator Telescope (Soviet Union), 200 tons Random event cluster ~ 0.7/day Clock uncertainty +2/-54 s

Within clock uncertainties, signals are contemporaneous

SN 1987A Event No.9 in Kamiokande



2002 Physics Nobel Prize for Neutrino Astronomy



"for pioneering contributions to astrophysics, in particular for the detection of cosmic neutrinos"

Gamow & Schoenberg, Phys. Rev. 58:1117 (1940)

The Possible Role of Neutrinos in Stellar Evolution

It can be considered at present as definitely established that the energy production in stars is caused by various types of thermonuclear reactions taking place in their interior. Since these reaction chains usually contain the processes of β -disintegration accompanied by the emission of high speed neutrinos, and since the neutrinos can pass almost without difficulty through the body of the star, we must assume that a certain part of the total energy produced escapes into interstellar space without being noticed as the actual thermal radiation of the star. Thus, for example, in the case of the carbon-nitrogen cycle in the sun, about 7 percent of the energy produced is lost in the form of neutrino radiation. However, since, in such reaction chains, the energy taken away by neutrinos represents a definite fraction of the total energy liberation, these losses are of but secondary importance for the problem of stellar equilibrium and evolution.

We want to indicate here that the situation becomes entirely different in cases where, as the result of the pro-

More detailed calculations on this collapse process are now in progress.

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Large Detectors for Supernova Neutrinos



SuperNova Early Warning System (SNEWS)



Super-Kamiokande Neutrino Detector





Simulated Supernova Burst in Super-Kamiokande



Movie by C. Little, including work by S. Farrell & B. Reed, (Kate Scholberg's group at Duke University) http://snews.bnl.gov/snmovie.html

Simulated Supernova Signal at Super-Kamiokande



Supernova Pointing with Neutrinos



- Beacom & Vogel: Can a supernova be located by its neutrinos? [astro-ph/9811350]
- Tomàs, Semikoz, Raffelt, Kachelriess & Dighe: Supernova pointing with low- and high-energy neutrino detectors [hep-ph/0307050]

IceCube Neutrino Telescope at the South Pole



IceCube as a Supernova Neutrino Detector



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LAGUNA - Ongoing European (FP7) Design Study

Large Apparati for Grand Unification and Neutrino Astrophysics (see also arXiv:0705.0116)

• Three types of large multi-purpose underground detectors with astrophysical program



Water Cherenkov ($\approx 0.5 \rightarrow 1$ Mton) MEMPHYS





Liquid Argon (≈10→100 kton) GLACIER

Reaching Beyond the Milky Way: Five-Megaton Detector



Modular 5-Mt underwater detector for proton decay, long-baseline oscillation experiments, atmospheric neutrinos, and low-energy burst detection

Core-Collapse SN Rate in the Milky Way



References: van den Bergh & McClure, ApJ 425 (1994) 205. Cappellaro & Turatto, astroph/0012455. Diehl et al., Nature 439 (2006) 45. Strom, Astron. Astrophys. 288 (1994) L1. Tammann et al., ApJ 92 (1994) 487. Alekseev et al., JETP 77 (1993) 339 and my update.

Supernova Rate in the Local Universe (Past Decade)



High and Low Supernova Rates in Nearby Galaxies

M31 (Andromeda) D = 780 kpc



Last Observed Supernova: 1885A

NGC 6946 D = (5.5 ± 1) Mpc



Observed Supernovae: 1917A, 1939C, 1948B, 1968D, 1969P, 1980K, 2002hh, 2004et, 2008S

The Red Supergiant Betelgeuse (Alpha Orionis)



First resolved image of a star other than Sun Distance (Hipparcos) 130 pc (425 lyr)

If Betelgeuse goes Supernova:

- 6 × 10⁷ neutrino events in Super-Kamiokande
- 2.4×10³ neutron events per day from Silicon-burning phase (few days warning!), need neutron tagging [Odrzywolek, Misiaszek & Kutschera, astro-ph/0311012]

Probing Supernova Physics

Delayed Explosion



Standing Accretion Shock Instability (SASI)



Mezzacappa et al., http://www.phy.ornl.gov/tsi/pages/simulations.html

Gravitational Waves from Core-Collapse Supernovae



Luminosity Variation Detectable in Neutrinos?



Marek, Janka & Müller, arXiv:0808.4136

Neutrino Limits by Intrinsic Signal Dispersion

Time of flight delay by neutrino mass (G. Zatsepin, JETP Lett. 8:205, 1968)	For "milli charged" neutrinos, path bent by galactic magnetic field, inducing a time delay
$\Delta t = 2.57 s \left(\frac{D}{50 \text{ kpc}}\right) \left(\frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{E_{\nu}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_{\nu}}{10 \text{ eV}}\right)^2$	$\frac{\Delta t}{t} = \frac{e_{\nu}^{2} (B_{\perp} d_{B})^{2}}{6E_{\nu}^{2}} < 3 \times 10^{-12}$
$m_{v_e} \lesssim 20 \ eV$	$\frac{e_{\nu}}{e} < 3 \times 10^{-17} \left(\frac{1\mu G}{B_{\perp}}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ kpc}}{d_{B}}\right)$
Loredo & Lamb Ann N.Y. Acad. Sci. 571 (1989) 601 find 23 eV (95% CL limit) from detailed maximum-likelihood analysis	 Barbiellini & Cocconi, Nature 329 (1987) 21 Bahcall, Neutrino Astrophysics (1989)
 At the time of SN 1987A competitive with tritium end-point Today m_v < 2.2 eV from tritium Cosmological limit today m_v ≤ 0.2 eV 	Assuming charge conservation in neutron decay yields a more restrictive limit of about 3×10 ⁻²¹ e

"Weighing" Neutrinos with KATRIN



Neutrino Mass and Resolution of Time Variations

Signal dispersion for Next Nearby SN $\Delta t = 5.1 \text{ ms} \left(\frac{D}{10 \text{ kpc}}\right) \left(\frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{E_{\nu}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_{\nu}}{1 \text{ eV}}\right)^2$

- IceCube binning of data: 1.64 ms in each OM
- Laboratory neutrino mass limit: 2.2 eV
- Cosmological limit $\Sigma m_v < 0.6 \text{ eV}$, so individual mass limit 0.2 eV
- KATRIN sensitivity roughly 0.2 eV

For SN signal interpretation of fast time variations, it is important to have the cosmological limit and future KATRIN measurement/limit

Supernova neutrino aficionados are new customers for KATRIN results!

Probing Particle Physics

Do Neutrinos Gravitate?

Neutrinos arrive a few hours earlier than photons → Early warning (SNEWS) SN 1987A: Transit time for photons and neutrinos equal to within ~ 3h

Shapiro time delay for particles moving in a gravitational potential $\Delta t_{Shapiro} = -2\int_{A}^{B} U[r(t)] dt \approx 1-5 \text{ months}$

Longo, PRL 60:173,1988 Krauss & Tremaine, PRL 60:176,1988 Equal within ~ $1 - 4 \times 10^{-3}$

- Proves directly that neutrinos respond to gravity in the usual way because for photons gravitational lensing already proves this point
- Cosmological limits $\Delta N_v \lesssim 1$ much worse test of neutrino gravitation
- Provides limits on parameters of certain non-GR theories of gravitation

The Energy-Loss Argument



Late-time signal most sensitive observable



Axion Bounds



Flavor Oscillations of Supernova Neutrinos

Neutrino Flavor Oscillations





Bruno Pontecorvo (1913 - 1993) Invented nu oscillations

Three-Flavor Neutrino Parameters





Tasks and Open Questions

- Precision for θ_{12} and θ_{23}
- How large is θ_{13} ?
- CP-violating phase δ?
- Mass ordering? (normal vs inverted)
- Absolute masses? (hierarchical vs degenerate)
- Dirac or Majorana?

Flavor-Dependent Fluxes in an Accretion-Phase Model



Neutrino Oscillations in Matter



- "Level crossing" possible in a medium with a gradient (MSW effect)
 - For solar nus large flavor conversion anyway due to large mixing
 - Still important for 13-oscillations in supernova envelope
- Breaks degeneracy between Θ and $\pi/2 \Theta$ (dark vs light side)
 - 12 mass ordering for solar nus established
 - 13 mass ordering (normal vs inverted) at future LBL or SN
- Discriminates against sterile nus in atmospheric oscillations
- CP asymmetry in LBL, to be distinguished from intrinsic CP violation
- Prevents flavor conversion in a SN core and within shock wave
- Strongly affects sterile nu production in SN or early universe

Level-Crossing Diagram in a SN Envelope



Dighe & Smirnov, Identifying the neutrino mass spectrum from a supernova neutrino burst, astro-ph/9907423

Oscillation of Supernova Anti-Neutrinos



hep-ph/0303210, hep-ph/0304150, hep-ph/0307050, hep-ph/0311172

Model-Independent Strategies for Observing Earth Effects

One detector observes SN shadowed by Earth

Case 1:

- Another detector observes SN directly
- Identify Earth effects by comparing signals

Case2: Identify "wiggles" in signal of single detector Problem: Smearing by limited energy resolution



If 13-mixing angle is known to be "large", e.g. from Double Chooz, observed "wiggles" in energy spectrum signify normal mass hierarchy

may be enough

with ~ 10⁵ events

Dighe, Keil & Raffelt, "Identifying Earth matter effects on supernova neutrinos at a single detector" [hep-ph/0304150]

Two-Detector Sky Coverage with Super-K & IceCube



Supernova Shock Propagation and Neutrino Oscillations



Shock-Wave Propagation in IceCube



Choubey, Harries & Ross, "Probing neutrino oscillations from supernovae shock waves via the IceCube detector", astro-ph/0604300

Neutrino Density Streaming off a Supernova Core



$$\begin{split} L_{\nu} &= 3 \times 10^{52} \, \frac{erg}{s} \\ \text{Corresponds to a neutrino} \\ \text{number density of} \\ n_{\nu} &= 3 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-3} \left(\frac{\text{km}}{\text{R}}\right)^2 \\ \text{Current-current structure} \\ \text{of weak interaction} \\ \text{causes suppression of} \\ \text{effective potential for} \\ \text{collinear-moving particles} \end{split}$$

Typical luminosity in one

neutrino species

 $V_{weak} \propto G_F(1 - \cos \theta)$

Nu-nu refractive effect decreases as

$$V_{\rm VV} \propto R^{-4}$$

Appears to be negligible

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Collective SN Neutrino Oscillations since 2006

Two seminal papers in 2006 triggered a torrent of activities Duan, Fuller, Qian, astro-ph/0511275, Duan et al. astro-ph/0606616

Duan, Fuller, Carlson & Qian, astro-ph/0608050, 0703776, arXiv:0707.0290, 0710.1271. Duan, Fuller & Qian, arXiv:0706.4293, 0801.1363, 0808.2046. Duan, Fuller & Carlson, arXiv:0803.3650. Duan & Kneller, arXiv:0904.0974. Hannestad, Raffelt, Sigl & Wong, astro-ph/0608695. Balantekin & Pehlivan, astro-ph/0607527. Balantekin, Gava & Volpe, arXiv:0710.3112. Gava & Volpe, arXiv:0807.3418. Gava, Kneller, Volpe & McLaughlin, arXiv:0902.0317. Raffelt & Sigl, hep-ph/0701182. Raffelt & Smirnov, arXiv:0705.1830, 0709.4641. Esteban-Pretel, Pastor, Tomàs, Raffelt & Sigl, arXiv:0706.2498, 0712.1137. Esteban-Pretel, Mirizzi, Pastor, Tomàs, Raffelt, Serpico & Sigl, arXiv:0807.0659. Raffelt, arXiv:0810.1407. Fogli, Lisi, Marrone & Mirizzi, arXiv:0707.1998. Fogli, Lisi, Marrone & Tamborra, arXiv:0812.3031. Lunardini, Müller & Janka, arXiv:0712.3000. Dasgupta & Dighe, arXiv:0712.3798. Dasgupta, Dighe & Mirizzi, arXiv:0802.1481. Dasgupta, Dighe, Mirizzi & Raffelt, arXiv:0801.1660, 0805.3300. Dasgupta, Dighe, Raffelt & Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542. Sawyer, arXiv:0803.4319. Chakraborty, Choubey, Dasgupta & Kar, arXiv:0805.3131. Blennow, Mirizzi & Serpico, arXiv:0810.2297. Wei Liao, arXiv:0904.0075, 0904.2855.

Multiple Spectral Splits (Cooling-Phase Example)



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Multiple Spectral Splits in the ω Variable



Flavor Pendulum



Dasgupta, Dighe, Raffelt & Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542 For movies see http://www.mppmu.mpg.de/supernova/multisplits

Decreasing Neutrino Density

initial neutrino density Dighe, Dasgupta, Raffelt, Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542 Dasgupta, Raffelt, Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542 1 Spectrum Spectrum 0 0 -1 - ' Neutrino density Neutrino density Swap factor Swap factor 0 0 0.5 1.5 0.5 1.5 0 2 0 2 Mode frequency w Mode frequency w

Dasgupta, Dighe, Raffelt & Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542 For movies see http://www.mppmu.mpg.de/supernova/multisplits

Certain initial neutrino density

Four times smaller

Supernova Cooling-Phase Example



Dasgupta, Dighe, Raffelt & Smirnov, arXiv:0904.3542 For movies see http://www.mppmu.mpg.de/supernova/multisplits

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Spectral Split for Accretion Phase Example



Fogli, Lisi, Marrone & Mirizzi, arXiv:0707.1998

Coalescing Neutron Stars and Short Gamma-Ray Bursts



Annihilation rate strongly suppressed if v_ev_e pairs transform to v_xv_x pairs
Collective effects important?

Density of torus relatively small: • v_{μ} and v_{τ} not efficiently produced • Large $v_e \overline{v}_e$ pair abundance

Questions and Opportunities



Self-induced collective oscillations occur even for very small 13-mixing (instability!)



Observation of spectral split or swap indication can provide signature for mass hierarchy and nontrivial neutrino propagation dynamics



Do matter-density fluctuations have any realistic impact?



Theoretical understanding and role of "multi-angle effects" largely missing

Looking forward to the next galactic supernova May take a long time No problem Lots of work to do!