# Physics Opportunities with Supernova Neutrinos



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WHY SUPERNOVA NEUTRINOS? SN EXPLOSION: the most powerful neutrino source (10<sup>57</sup>/10 sec) in the Universe

#### Neutrino detection

High-statistics of events in large underground detectors (10<sup>5</sup>-10<sup>6</sup> event/10 sec) for galactic SN

Neutrino theory/phenomenology NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS in extreme astrophysical environment. Sensitivity to v mixing

#### Neutrino astrophysics

Crucial role of  $\nu$  in the explosion mechanism. Unique probe of the deepest SN regions

Neutrino nuclear astrophysics

Nucleosynthesis in supernovae is a neutrinodriven process



Production (flavor)

- Simulations of SN
- Initial energy spectra
- Initial time spectra

Propagation (mass, mixing)

- Matter effects: shock wave,turbulences, Earth crossing, ...
- Dense neutrino bkg
- New interactions
- Decays

#### Detection (flavor)

- CC & NC interactions
- Different detectors
- Energy spectra
- Angular spectra
- Time spectra



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Supernova one of the most energetic events in nature.

Terminal phase of a massive star ( $M > 8 \sim 10 M_{\odot}$ )

Collapses & ejects the outer mantle in a <u>shock wave</u> driven explosion.

#### ENERGY SCALE:

99% energy ( $10^{53}$  ergs ) is emitted by neutrinos (Energy ~ 10 MeV). TIME SCALE:

The duration of the burst lasts ~10 s.



[Fischer et al. (Basel Simulations), A&A 517:A80,2010, 10. 8 M<sub>sun</sub> progenitor mass]

# Supernova 1987A 23 February 1987

# What could we see "tomorrow"?

SN 20XXA J

# Large Detectors for Supernova Neutrinos



In brackets events for a "fiducial SN" at distance 10 kpc

#### Simulated Supernova Signal at Super-Kamiokande



### Next generation Detectors for Supernova Neutrinos

# Next-generation large volume detectors will open a new era in SN neutrino detection:

- 0.4 Mton WATER Cherenkov detectors
- 50 kton scintillator
- 100 kton Liquid Ar TPC



See LAGUNA Collaboration, "Large underground, liquid based detectors for astroparticle physics in Europe: Scientific case and prospects," arXiV:0705.0116 [hep-ph]

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$$v_{a} + \overline{p} \rightarrow n + e^{+}$$



#### UNO, MEMPHYS, HYPER-K







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#### In the standard $3\nu$ framework

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#### $3\nu$ FRAMEWORK

• Mixing parameters:  $U = U(\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23}, \delta)$  as for CKM matrix

normal hierarchy



 $c_{12}$ = cos  $\theta_{12}$ , etc.,  $\delta$  CP phase

• Mass-gap parameters:

$$M^{2} = \left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{\delta m^{2}}{2}, +\frac{\delta m^{2}}{2}, \pm \Delta m^{2}\right)$$
  
"solar" "atmospheric"  

$$+\Delta m^{2} \qquad \text{inverted hierarchy}$$
  

$$+\delta m^{2/2} \quad v_{1} \qquad +\delta m^{2/2}$$
  

$$-\delta m^{2}/2 \qquad v_{2} \qquad -\delta m^{2}/2$$

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#### MIKHEYEV-SMIRNOV-WOLFENSTEIN (MSW) EFFECT

#### [Wolfenstein, PRD 17, 2369 (1978)]

When neutrinos propagate in a medium they will experience a shift of their energy, similar to photon refraction, due to their coherent interaction with the medium constituents



The difference of the interaction energy of different flavors gives an effective potential for electron (anti)neutrinos

 $V(x) = \sqrt{2}G_F N_e$  net electron density

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 ~ R<sup>-3</sup>

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When  $\mu >> \lambda$ , SN v oscillations dominated by v-v interactions

Collective flavor transitions at low-radii [O (10<sup>2</sup> - 10<sup>3</sup> km)]

# 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.

### SN v Flavor Transitions



#### SYNCHRONIZED OSCILLATIONS BY NEUTRINO-NEUTRINO INTERACTIONS

Example: evolution of neutrino momenta with a thermal distribution



#### PENDULAR OSCILLATIONS

[Hannestad, Raffelt, Sigl, Wong, astro-ph/0608695]



In inverted hierarchy: coherent "pair conversions"  $v_e \overline{v}_e \longrightarrow v_\mu \overline{v}_\mu$ With constant  $\mu$ : periodic behaviour

#### PENDULUM IN FLAVOR SPACE

[Hannestad, Raffelt, Sigl, Wong, astro-ph/0608695, Duan, Carlson, Fuller, Qian, astro-ph/0703776]

Neutrino mass hierarchy (and  $\theta_{13}$ ) set initial condition and fate With only initial  $v_e$  and  $\overline{v_e}$ :

#### Normal hierarchy

Pendulum starts in ~ downard (stable) positions and stays nearby. No significant flavor change.

#### Inverted hierarchy

Pendulum starts in ~ upward (unstable) positions and eventually falls down. Significant flavor changes.



 $\theta_{13}$  sets initial misalignment with vertical. Specific value not much relevant.

#### SUPERNOVA TOY-MODEL

[Hannestad, Raffelt, Sigl, Wong, astro-ph/0608695]



SUPERNOVA: Non-periodic since v density decreases

Complete flavor conversions!

- Occurs for very small mixing angles
- ${\boldsymbol \cdot}$  Preserves the initial excess  $\nu_{e}$  over  $\bar{\nu}_{e}$  (lepton number conservation)

### Spectral Splits in the Accretion Phase

[Fogli, Lisi, Marrone, Mirizzi, arXiV: 0707.1998 [hep-ph]]



# Removal of axial symmetry



<u>S.C</u> & Mirizzi, PRD 2014

# Multi Angle Matter Suppression



•Neutrinos emitted from spherical source, travel on different trajectories.

Different oscillation phases for neutrinos traveling in different paths.
Strong v-v interaction can overcome trajectory dependent dispersion.

Collective conversion requires :  $\mathbf{n}_{e} << \mathbf{n}_{v}$ 

Collective conversion is matter Suppressed :  $\mathbf{n}_{e} \geq \mathbf{n}_{v}$ 

[Esteban-Pretel, Mirizzi, Pastor, Tomas, Raffelt, Serpico & Sigl, arxiv: 0807.0659]

### **Radial Evolution of Survival Probability**



IH Dense Matter effect Suppresses Collective Oscillations

<u>S.C</u>, Fischer, Mirizzi, Saviano & Tomas PRL 107:151101, 2011 PRD 84:025002, 2011

#### Removal of axial symmetry + Zenith distribution



**Stability Analysis: LESA** 



<u>S.C</u>, Raffelt, Janka & Mueller, arXiv:1412.0670

### Suppression of Collective effects

Predictions are robust when collective effects are suppressed, i.e.:

1) Neutronization burst (t < 20 ms)

large  $v_e$  excess and  $v_x$  deficit

[Hannestad et al., astro-ph/0608695]

2) Accretion phase (t < 500 ms)  $\star$ 

Dense matter term dominates over nu-nu interaction term.

[<u>S.C</u>, Fischer, Mirizzi, Saviano & Tomas PRL 107:151101, 2011]

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LESA: Suppression is generic till 150 ms
S.C, Raffelt, Janka & Mueller, arXiv:1412.0670

Neutronization burst & Accretion Phase (150 ms):

Normal Hierarchy (NH):

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### Collective effects in Cooling phase

3) Cooling phase (t < 500 ms)

nu-nu interaction dominates over dense matter term :  $ne << n_v$ 

Collective Oscillation is complex due to

- Multi angle effect
- Dependence on flux ordering
- Initial angular distribution of flavors

#### +

• Shock Effect & Turbulence

Near Equipartition of flux in different Flavors

Oscillation Effects are Negligible

[<u>S.C</u>, Fischer, Mirizzi, Saviano & Tomas PRL 107:151101, 2011 PRD 84:025002, 2011]

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[<u>S.C</u>, Choubey, Goswami & Kar JCAP, 2010]

r-Process Nucleosynthesis

- Heating by neutrino driven wind coming from neutrino-sphere  $v_e + n \Rightarrow e^- + p; \ \overline{v}_e + p \Rightarrow e^+ + n$
- Important quantity whose evolution should be studied is Electron fraction (Ye) = No of electrons/No of Baryons
- For Neutron rich conditions Ye < 0.5 (Preferably < 0.45).



#### MSW MATTER EFFECT IN SN



[see, e.g., Fogli, Lisi, <u>A.M.</u>, and Montanino, hep-ph/0304056; Fogli, Lisi, <u>A.M.</u>, and Montanino, hep-ph/0412046, Tomas et al., astro-ph/0407132, Choubey et al, hep-ph/0605255, Gava et al. 0902.0317,....]

# PROBING SHOCK WAVES AND MASS HIERARCHY AT LARGE $\theta_{13}$



In inverted hierarchy and for  $\theta_{13}$  not too small, flavor conversions along the shock-waves induce non-monotonic time spectra.

#### STOCHASTIC DENSITY FLUCTUATIONS



#### **GARCHING 2D simulation**

Turbulent convective motions behind the shock front create a fluctuating density field in the post-shock region. A SN neutrino "beam" might thus experience stochastic matter effects while traversing the stellar envelope.

[Fogli, Lisi, <u>A.M.</u>, Montanino, hep-ph/0603033; Friedland, astro-ph/0607244; Choubey, Harries, Ross, hep-ph/0703092, Kneller, 1004.1288, Kneller & Volpe, 1006.0913]

Depolarization ( $\langle P_{ee} \rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ ) would replace the shock-signature when turbulence is relevant

## **GARCHING 2D simulation**

#### Not enough fluctuation in small length scale



[Borriello, <u>S.C</u>, Janka, Lisi & Mirizzi, JCAP 2014]



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# Neutrino Emission Phases

#### **Neutronization burst**

- Shock breakout
- De-leptonization of outer core layers
- Duration ~ 25 ms

#### Accretion

#### Cooling

- powered by infalling matter
  - Stalled shock

- Cooling by v diffusion
- Accretion: ~ 0.5 s ; Cooling: ~ 10 s



[Fischer et al. (Basel Simulations), A&A 517:A80,2010, 10. 8 M<sub>sun</sub> progenitor mass]

### Neutronization Burst : Model Independence



'Standard Candle' for SN Neutrino

[M.Kachelriess et al, hep-ph/0412082]

### Oscillations in the Neutronization Burst



### SN Bounds on Neutrino Velocity

#### Violation of Lorentz invariance

[Ellis et al., 0805.0253 & 1110.4848]





The signal would be spread out and shifted in time.

(v-c)/c < 10<sup>-14</sup> for linear Lorentz violation (v-c)/c < 10<sup>-8</sup> for quadratic Lorentz violation

[<u>S.C.</u> Mirizzi & Sigl Phys. Rev. D 87, 017302 (2013)]

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[Borriello, <u>S.C</u>, Mirizzi, Serpico; PRD 86 (2012)]

### Galactic SN Distribution



[Mirizzi, Raffelt & Serpico; (2006)]

### **Rise time Analysis**



- High degeneracy of  $v_e$  and e, suppresses  $v_e$  production.
- $\overline{\nu}_e$  more in equilibrium with environment than  $\nu_x$

Flux of  $v_x$  rises faster than  $\overline{v}_e$ 

NH: 
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IH:  $F_{\bar{\nu}_e} = F^0_{\nu_x}$ 

Flux in IH ( $v_x$ ) rises faster than NH ( $v_x$ ,  $v_e$ )

[Serpico, <u>S.C</u>, Fischer, Hüdepohl, Janka & Mirizzi PRD 85:085031,2012 ]

### **Rise time Analysis: Hierarchy Determination**



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Normalized Count rate :

10 different models (12  $M_{\odot}\text{--}40~M_{\odot}\text{)}$ 



### **Rise time Analysis: Hierarchy Determination**

Normalized Count rate : 32 different models



Flux in IH rises faster than NH

[C.D. Ott et al. Neutrino 2012, Japan, 1212.4250]

- Approx. 10 core-collapse/sec in the visible universe
- mostly from redshift z~1
- Confirm star formation rate

Window of opportunity bkg less than signal

 $10^{2}$ GADZOOKS · Reactor v  $10^{2}$ Supernova v 10 Atmospheric 10 10  $10^{-2}$ 10 15 20 30 35 25 40 Measured E [MeV]

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v astronomy at cosmic distances!

#### [Beacom & Vagins, hep-ph/0309300 ]

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All progenitors will not have the same relative neutrino luminosity.

Depend on the mass of the star.

![](_page_62_Figure_3.jpeg)

[Lunerdini & Tamborra, JCAP. 2012]

Study based on Basel simulations

However only three progenitor classes for all SNe

![](_page_63_Figure_4.jpeg)

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# SuperNova Early Warning System (SNEWS)

![](_page_64_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Neutrinos arrive several hours before photons
- Can alert astronomers several hours in advance

### http://snews.bnl.gov

![](_page_64_Figure_5.jpeg)

### Local Group of Galaxies

![](_page_65_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Conclusions

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# LOOKING FORWARD FOR THE NEXT GALACTIC SN !

Plank You