Supernova Neutrino Detection

Kate Scholberg, Duke University Supernova Neutrinos at the Crossroads Trento, May 2019

In this talk will focus on a few "new" things*...

- Overview of supernova-detection relevant neutrino interactions
 - The experimental job!
 - Expanding the flavor sensitivity!
 - LAr sensitivity
 - CEvNS
- Future prospects
 - Prospects for v-nucleus interaction measurements
 - SNEWS 2.0: upgrading the alert

stuff I have been working on recently

Fluxes as a function of time and energy



Neutrinos per cm² per bin (per ms per 0.5 MeV)

Another example of a model

black hole formation!



Model by L. Huedepohl LS220-s25.0c

Information is in the energy, flavor, time

structure of the burst



What do you want in a detector?

Size	~kton detector mass per 100 events @ 10 kpc
Low energy threshold	~Few MeV if possible
Energy resolution	Resolve features in spectrum
Angular resolution	Point to the supernova! (for directional interactions)
Timing resolution	Follow the time evolution
Low background	BG rate << rate in burst; underground location usually excellent; surface detectors conceivably sensitive
Flavor sensitivity	Ability to tag flavor components
High up-time and longevity	Can't miss a ~1/30 year spectacle!

Note that many detectors have a "day job"...

	Electrons		
	Elastic scattering		
Charged	$\nu + e^- \to \nu + e^-$		
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Neutral current	v¢		
	Useful for pointing		



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IBD (electron antineutrinos) dominates for current detectors

Neutrino interaction thresholds



Supernova neutrino detector types







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Summary of supernova neutrino detectors

	Detector	Туре	Location	Mass (kton)	Events @ 10 kpc	Status
5	Super-K	Water	Japan	32	8000	Running (SK IV)
>	LVD	Scintillator	Italy	1	300	Running
	KamLAND	Scintillator	Japan	1	300	Running
Ű	Borexino	Scintillator	Italy	0.3	100	Running
Se	IceCube	Long string	South Pole	(600)	(10 ⁶)	Running
ບ ບ	Baksan	Scintillator	Russia	0.33	50	Running
acti	Mini- BooNE	Scintillator	USA	0.7	200	(Running)
312	HALO	Lead	Canada	0.079	20	Running
5	Daya Bay	Scintillator	China	0.33	100	Running
	NOvA	Scintillator	USA	15	3000	Running
ပ	SNO+	Scintillator	Canada	1	300	(Running)
cti	MicroBooNE	Liquid argon	USA	0.17	17	Running
ala	DUNE	Liquid argon	USA	40	3000	Future
rag	Hyper-K	Water	Japan	540	110,000	Future
=XI	JUNO	Scintillator	China	20	6000	Future
	IceCube Gen-2	Long string	South pole	(600)	(10 ⁶)	Future

plus reactor experiments, DM experiments...

$\bar{ u}_e$ flavor

- Will have fantastic statistics from water & scintillator (IBD)
- Good time profile from IceCube, KM3Net
- Will have IBD tagging from SKGd
- Subdominant in argon

Water Cherenkov	Long String	Scintillator
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- Dominant channel in argon, lead
- Subdominant in water, scintillator





~1-40 events @ 10 kpc

Liquid argon time projection chambers



Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)



- single and dual phase options
- both have TPC and photon detectors
 - n detectors
- first module by ~2024
- supernova burst is a primary physics goal

Flavor composition as a function of time

Energy spectra integrated over time



For 40 kton @ 10 kpc, Garching model (no oscillations)

Note that the neutronization burst gets substantially suppressed with flavor transitions



Simple MSW assumption (assume OK at early times)

NMO:
$$F_{\nu_e} = F_{\nu_x}^0$$

IMO: $F_{\nu_e} = \sin^2 \theta_{12} F_{\nu_e}^0 + \cos^2 \theta_{12} F_{\nu_x}^0$

(a robust (?) mass ordering signature...)

We now have fairly sophisticated final-state modeling. and decent, rapidly improving event reconstruction



S. Gardiner, marleygen.org

SNOwGLoBES Smearing Matrices for MARLEY $v_{e}CC$



Using TPC information only

Using photon-based correction for charge lost during electron drift

Fits to pinched-thermal spectrum

$$\phi(E_{\nu}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{E_{\nu}}{\langle E_{\nu} \rangle}\right)^{\alpha} \exp\left[-\left(\alpha + 1\right) \frac{E_{\nu}}{\langle E_{\nu} \rangle}\right]$$



Will be statistics limited more than resolution limited.. what actually matters is how well we *know* the detector resolution

Studies by E. Conley

Poor knowledge of detector resolution results in *bias*



0.3

-0.25 -0.2

-0.15

0.1

0

0.05

-0.05

-0.1 -0.15

-0.2

30

DUNE preliminary

Pointing to the supernova with ES in DUNE

160

140

120

100

80

60

40

DUNE preliminary

Standard reco

andard reco, using abs vals pping using daughters

Electron direction



Note direction ambiguity, unlike Cherenkov! ... but can resolve statistically using bremsstrahlung directionality and multiple scattering



Studies by AJ Roeth

Overall pointing using an ensemble of ES events (~10 kpc supernova w/ 260 ES events) → ~10°



Maximum likelihood method

- other channels not yet included
- still room to improve disambiguation

Studies by AJ Roeth



- Subdominant in water and scintillator
- Nice 15-MeV gamma in scintillator
- Possible interesting channels in argon
- CEvNS: event by event recoil energies



New calculation from Pekka Pirinen and Jouni Suhonen

NC v_x +⁴⁰Ar $\rightarrow v_x$ + ⁴⁰Ar^{*}

Table 1: The dominating final-state contributions to inelastic scattering cross sections for neutrinos of energy E_{ν} scattering off a ⁴⁰Ar target. The numbers in the parentheses refer to the the angular momentum, parity, and number of the final state, the energy of the final state and the percentage of the contribution arising from the final state compared to the total cross section. The computations were made in the QRPA.

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Distribution of excited final states as a function of E_v

→ now modeled in SNOwGLoBES w/approximate DUNE smearing

Inelastic NC interactions channels in argon

NC v_x +⁴⁰Ar $\rightarrow v_x$ + ⁴⁰Ar^{*}



NC in DUNE is likely a major contribution!

potentially valuable tool for physics!



large uncertainties in the cross section, will need reasonable tagging

Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering (CEvNS)

$$v + A \rightarrow v + A$$

A neutrino smacks a nucleus via exchange of a Z, and the nucleus recoils as a whole; **coherent** up to $E_v \sim 50$ MeV





Nucleon wavefunctions in the target nucleus are **in phase with each other** at low momentum transfer

For QR << 1, [total xscn] ~ A² * [single constituent xscn] A: no

A: no. of constituents

Detector example: XENON/LZ/DARWIN

• dual-phase xenon time projection chambers



Lang et al.(2016). Physical Review D, 94(10), 103009. http://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.94.103009

What will be learned?



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The so-called "neutrino floor" for DM experiments



Think of a SN burst as "the v floor coming up to meet you"



J. Billard, E. Figueroa-Feliciano, and L. Strigari, arXiv:1307.5458v2 (2013).

New idea in early stages of exploration:

Adryanna Smith and Gleb Sinev @ Duke



"CEvNS Glow" in large, high-threshold neutrino detectors

"IceCube-style" supernova detection: Cherenkov photons in ice observed as time-dependent single- (and double-)hit glow over ~10 sec



IceCube collaboration, A&A 535, A109 (2011)

Back-of-the-envelope:

CEvNS signal vs Inelastic (CC/NC) signal:

e.g., v_x + A → v_x + A vs v_e + ⁴⁰Ar → e⁻ + ⁴⁰K* in argon, or IBD in scint ~10² more CEvNS events per target wrt CC ~10⁻³ less energy deposited per event for CEvNS wrt CC ~ 6 due to sensitivity to all flavors ~0.001-0.2 quenching factor (photons wrt e/γ energy deposit) for nuclear recoil wrt CC
Total CEvNS photons are ~few-10% of CC-generated photons, but, diffused over the burst rather than in individual event spikes Issue is whether they exceed Sqrt[background] (and triggering may be challenging!)



Preliminary studies by A. Smith (+ G. Sinev)

For **DUNE**: 40 kt LAr, ~24,000 photons/MeV TPC + photon detectors

Most pernicious issue for CEvNS glow:

³⁹Ar β decays

(dominant radiological)

- 1 Bq/kg
- 260-yr half-life
- in principle can be mitigated w/underground argon (but 40 kton of it a challenge...)



J. Kostensalo et al. (2017) arXiv:1705.05726

Preliminary calculations of photon production:



Underway and TBD:

- photon transport (analytic & MC) and detection efficiencies
- additional backgrounds
- triggering not yet considered...
 serious challenge; may be able to trigger on CC
- **distribution** of observed N_{pe} may help select signal
- ...study still in early stages!

Also looking at organic liquid scintillator





From Borexino Collaboration M. Agostini et al (2017) arXiv:1707.09279v2

- backgrounds tend to be quite low
- ~0.1% quenching for carbon recoils,
 - ~1% for proton recoils

Preliminary calculations of photon production in scintillator:

"Garching" supernova model, 10 kt, 10 kpc



- similar studies underway... still in early stages!
- backgrounds are much less severe in clean scintillator detectors
- dark counts need to be considered

Final topic: measuring these cross sections



Interactions with nuclei (cross sections & products) **very poorly understood...** sparse theory & experiment (*only* measurements at better than ~50% level are for ¹²C)



Neutrinos from pion decay at rest have spectrum overlapping with SN ν spectrum, e.g., at ORNL Spallation Neutron Source and far off-axis at the Fermilab BNB



A. Bolozdynya et al., arXiv:1211.5199

Fluence at ~50 m from the stopped pion source amounts to ~ a supernova a day!

(or 0.2 microsupernovae per pulse, 60 Hz of pulses)

e+/-

 $\begin{bmatrix} - \\ v_e \end{bmatrix}$



This is an excellent opportunity to study poorly understood neutrino-nucleus interactions in the supernova energy range





NIN measurement in SNS basement

Liquid scintillator surrounded by lead, iron (swappable for other NIN targets) inside water shield



Tonne-scale LAr Detector



• 750-kg LAr will fit in the same place, will reuse part of existing infrastructure



CC/NC **inelastic** in argon of interest for supernova neutrinos

 $\begin{array}{ll} CC & \nu_e \texttt{+}^{40} Ar \rightarrow e^\texttt{-} \texttt{+}^{40} \texttt{K}^* \\ NC & \nu_x \texttt{+}^{40} Ar \rightarrow \nu_x \texttt{+}^{40} Ar^* \end{array}$

Heavy water detector in Neutrino Alley

Measurement Precision with 2 SNS years at 1.4 MW



→ ~few percent precision on flux normalization ...also measure CC (maybe NC) on ¹⁶O

SNEWS: SuperNova Early Warning System

- Neutrinos (and GW) precede em radiation by hours or even days
- For promptness, require *coincidence* to suppress false alerts





- Running smoothly for more than 17 years, automated since 2005



It's time to upgrade!

- pointing
- presupernova
- multimessenger

SNEWS 2.0 Workshop

Supernova Neutrinos in the Multi-Messenger Era

June 14-17, 2019 Laurentian University, Sudbury, Canada











Summary

Vast information to be had from a core-collapse burst!

- Info in energy, flavor, time structure
- Detectors worldwide have ~Galactic+ sensitivity

Expanding our palate

- now sensitive mainly to the $\nu_{e}\mbox{-bar}$ component of the SN flux

- next generation: v_e from DUNE,

NC from CEvNS

(and we should explore subdominant channels)

Future:

- we need to understand how to infer truth fluxes!
- we need to measure some x-scns!
- the early alert will be upgraded in the era of multimessenger astronomy!