# Detecting Supernova Neutrinos

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# Neutrinos from core-collapse supernovae

When a star's core collapses, ~99% of the gravitational binding energy of the proto-nstar goes into v's of *all flavors* with ~tens-of-MeV energies

(Energy *can* escape via v's)

Mostly v-vbar pairs from proto-nstar cooling



Timescale: *prompt* after core collapse, overall  $\Delta t \sim 10$ 's of seconds



## Fluxes as a function of time and energy



Neutrinos per cm<sup>2</sup> per bin (per ms per 0.5 MeV)

Huedepohl et al. model

## Another example of a model

## black hole formation!



Model by L. Huedepohl

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current		e <sup>+</sup> γ	
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	e⁻	Elastic scattering	
Neutral current	V	ν <b>ρ</b>	
	Useful for pointing	very low energy recoils	

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Neutral current	ve	Elastic scattering P vp very low energy	$\nu + A \rightarrow \nu + A^*$ $\nu \dots \rightarrow \nu + A^*$
	for pointing	TECOIIS	$\nu + A \rightarrow \nu + A$ elastic (CEvNS)

IBD (electron antineutrinos) dominates for current detectors

# Supernova neutrino detector types



## Water Cherenkov detectors





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

## Neutron tagging in water Cherenkov detectors

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \to e^+ + n \quad \blacksquare$$

detection of neutron tags event as *electron antineutrino* 

especially useful for diffuse SN signal (which has low signal/bg)

 also useful for disentangling flavor content of a burst (improves pointing, and physics extraction)

use gadolinium to capture neutrons

(like for scintillator)

J. Beacom & M. Vagins, PRL 93 (2004) 171101

Gd has a huge n capture cross-section: 49,000 barns, vs 0.3 b for free protons

 $n + Gd \rightarrow Gd^* \rightarrow Gd + \gamma \qquad \sum E_{\gamma} = 8 MeV$ 



SK-Gd is running with 0.03% Gd (13.2 tons of  $Gd_2(SO_4)_3*8H_2O$ )

#### Long string water Cherenkov detectors



~kilometer long strings of PMTs in very clear water or ice (IceCube, KM3NeT)

Nominally multi-GeV energy threshold... but, may see burst of low energy (anti-)  $v_e$ 's as coincident increase in single PMT count rate

# Map overall time structure of burst by tracking the single-PMT hit glow



# **Scintillation detectors**



Liquid hydrocarbon  $(C_nH_{2n})$ that emits (lots of) photons when charged particles lose energy in it

Will see supernova electron antineutrinos, with good energy resolution

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \to e^+ + n$$

Many examples worldwide of current and future detectors















# Liquid argon time projection chambers



ICARUS (Italy→USA) 0.6 kton



MicroBooNE (USA) 0.2 kton





**SBND** 



#### Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment/ Long Baseline Neutrino Facility

next big US-based international particle physics project



- new 1.2 MW beam, Fermilab to SD
- 40-kton fiducial liquid argon TPC far detector
- Also proton decay, supernova, atmospheric neutrino physics ...



#### SNB event topologies in argon TPC



#### In LAr neutronization burst gets substantially suppressed with flavor transitions



Simple MSW assumption (assume OK at early times)

NMO:  
IMO:  

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

(a mass ordering signature!)

## Dark matter detectors as neutrino observatories



Plot from Snowmass CF01 Image: J. Link *Science* Perspectives Once nuclear recoil detectors get sensitive enough, they are blinded by natural neutrinos

# Interesting things may eventually emerge from the fog...





# Search for CEvNS from **solar neutrinos** with the XENON-1T experiment





#### Limits only so far ... but eventually we'll see the glare



### Supernova burst detection in large DM detectors







DARWIN

Example: dual-phase xenon time projection chambers





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

Also: DarkSide-20K, ARGO, RES-NOvA,...

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



# Back-of-the-envelope: CEvNS signal vs Inelastic (CC/NC) signal:

e.g.,  $v_x + A \rightarrow v_x + A$  vs  $v_e + {}^{40}Ar \rightarrow e^- + {}^{40}K^*$  in argon, or IBD in scint

~10<sup>2</sup> more CEvNS events per target wrt CC

~10<sup>-3</sup> 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/y 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 challengin!)



For DUNE: 40 kt LAr,

~24,000 photons/MeV TPC + photon detectors



## Most pernicious issue for CEvNS glow: <sup>39</sup>Ar 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

#### CEvNS Glow Photons in LAr: calculation by A. Major, Duke



Detected photons in simplified detector with <sup>39</sup>Ar x 0.001



information in time, detected photon multiplicity spectrum

#### Approximate features matched by G4 sim of DUNE low-bg module



Figure 6: Figures from Carmelo Ortiz, DUNE low energy physics working group meeting,https://indico.fnal.gov/event/50302/ Carmelo Ortiz, Duke

# Summary of supernova neutrino detectors

Detector	Туре	Location	Mass (kton)	Events @ 10 kpc	Status
Super-K	Water	Japan	32	8000	Running (SK IV)
LVD	Scintillator	Italy	1	300	Running
KamLAND	Scintillator	Japan	1	300	Running
Borexino	Scintillator	Italy	0.3	100	Running
IceCube	Long string	South Pole	(600)	(10 <sup>6</sup> )	Running
Baksan	Scintillator	Russia	0.33	50	Running
HALO	Lead	Canada	0.079	20	Running
Daya Bay	Scintillator	China	0.33	100	Running
ΝΟνΑ	Scintillator	USA	15	3000	Running
SNO+	Scintillator	Canada	1	300	(Running)
MicroBooNE	Liquid argon	USA	0.17	17	Running
DUNE	Liquid argon	USA	40	3000	Future
Hyper-K	Water	Japan	266	110,000	Future
JUNO	Scintillator	China	20	6000	Future
IceCube Gen-2	Long string	South pole			
KM3Net	Long string	Mediterranean			

plus reactor experiments, DM experiments...

Extragalactic

## Future Large Supernova-Burst-Sensitive Neutrino Detectors







**Hyper-Kamiokande** 260 kton water Japan JUNO 20 kton scintillator (hydrocarbon) China **DUNE** 40 kton argon USA

Hyper-K /JUNO are primarily sensitive to nuebar

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \to e^+ + n$$

• DUNE is primarily sensitive to **nue** 

$$\nu_e + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \to e^- + {}^{40}\text{K}^*$$

*extreme* complementarity



# What we want to measure

Neutrino fluxes vs E, t



#### What we *want* to measure

Cooling

Neutrino fluxes vs E, t

Accretion

Neutronization

### What we can measure

Event rates in different interaction channels vs E, t (with imperfect tagging & resolution)



## Event rates vs E, t

Neutrino fluxes vs E, t Dominant channels



#### Subdominant channels are in the mix too, and not always easily taggable... may be hard to disentangle!



# Multimessenger signals from core collapse



K. Nakamura et al., MNRAS 2016

## If we see a neutrino burst... where's the supernova??



We're racing the shock!

May have less than a half hour, or even just minutes

Matthew D. Kistler, W. C. Haxton, and Hasan Yüksel. Tomography of Massive Stars from Core Collapse to Supernova Shock Breakout. ApJ, 778:81, 2013, arXiv:1211.6770.

# The Supernova Early Warning System 1.0













recently completed Daya Bay

**Nature Reviews** 

IceCube

Simple 10-sec coincidence  $\rightarrow$  email alert + socket connection +GCN Running in automated mode since 2005 (no nearby CCSNe...)

snews.bnl.gov

+KM3NeT, SNO+ + NOvA, XENON

# Current effort: upgrade to SNEWS 2.0



- improved latency
- neutrino-based pointing, including triangulation
- "fire drills"
- presupernova

# snews2.org

# **Neutrino Pointing Approaches**



## Triangulation from timing



#### JUNO+DUNE+HK

N. Linzer, KS: arXiv:1909/03151

Lower quality, but can probably get very low latency, with subsequent improvements

#### By Joshua Queen



# Take-Away Messages

#### **Core-collapse neutrinos**

 ~10 second prompt burst of all flavors, few tens of MeV

#### **Current & near future detectors**

- ~Galactic sensitivity (SK reaches barely to Andromeda)
  - can get some pointing from neutrinos
  - SNEWS 1.0 network is waiting,
  - SNEWS 2.0 in near future

#### Long term future

- huge statistics: extragalactic reach
- richer flavor sensitivity (e.g.  $v_e$  in LAr!)
- multimessenger prospects

catching rain water in many different sized buckets in a big field and a dancing person

in a raincoat catching rain in a cur



We want to catch them all!