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Relic neutrinos: clustering and consequences for direct detection

Featuring "Milky Way" & friends

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 $\Delta m_{ji}^2 = m_j^2 - m_i^2$, θ_{ij} mixing angles NO: Normal Ordering, $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$ IO: Inverted Ordering, $m_3 < m_1 < m_2$



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Relic neutrinos in cosmology: N_{eff}

Radiation energy density ρ_r in the early Universe:

$$\rho_{r} = \left[1 + \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{4/3} N_{\text{eff}}\right] \rho_{\gamma} = \left[1 + 0.2271 N_{\text{eff}}\right] \rho_{\gamma}$$

 ho_γ photon energy density, 7/8 is for fermions, $(4/11)^{4/3}$ due to photon reheating after neutrino decoupling

- $N_{
 m eff}
 ightarrow$ all the radiation contribution not given by photons
- $N_{\rm eff} \simeq 1$ correspond to a single family of active neutrino, in equilibrium in the early Universe
- Active neutrinos:

 $N_{\rm eff} = 3.046$ [Mangano et al., 2005] (damping factors approximations) $\sim N_{\rm eff} = 3.045$ [de Salas et al., 2016] (full collision terms) due to not instantaneous decoupling for the neutrinos

= + Non Standard Interactions: $3.040 < N_{
m eff} < 3.059$ [de Salas et al., 2016]

Observations: $N_{\rm eff}\simeq 3.0\pm 0.2$ [Planck 2018] Indirect probe of cosmic neutrino background!



Cosmological neutrino mass bounds



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Relic neutrino capture

[Long et al., JCAP 08 (2014) 038]

How to directly detect non-relativistic neutrinos?

Remember that
$$\langle E_
u
angle \, \simeq \, {\cal O}(10^{-4})$$
 eV today

a process without energy threshold is necessary

[Weinberg, 1962]: neutrino capture in eta–decaying nuclei $u+n
ightarrow p+e^-$

Main background: β decay $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}!$





$$\Gamma_{\text{CNB}} = \sum_{i=1}^{3} |U_{ei}|^2 [n_i(\nu_{h_R}) + n_i(\nu_{h_L})] N_T \bar{\sigma} \\ \sim \mathcal{O}(10) \text{ yr}^{-1} \\ N_T \text{ number of }^{3}\text{H nuclei in a sample of mass } M_T \quad \bar{\sigma} \simeq 3.834 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2 \quad n_i \text{ number density of neutrino } i \\ \text{(without clustering)}$$



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[JCAP 09 (2017) 034] ν clustering with N-one-body simulations Milky Way (MW) matter attracts neutrinos! clustering $\rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{CNB}} = \sum |U_{ei}|^2 f_c(m_i) [n_{i,0}(\nu_{h_R}) + n_{i,0}(\nu_{h_L})] N_T \bar{\sigma}$ $f_c(m_i) = n_i/n_{i,0}$ clustering factor \rightarrow How to compute it? Idea from [Ringwald & Wong, 2004] \longrightarrow N-one-body= N × single ν simulations \rightarrow each ν evolved from initial conditions at z = 3 \rightarrow spherical symmetry, coordinates (r, θ , p_r , l) Assumptions: \rightarrow need $\rho_{\text{matter}}(z) = \rho_{\text{DM}}(z) + \rho_{\text{baryon}}(z)$ ν s are independent only gravitational interactions how many ν s is "N"? ν s do not influence matter evolution $(\rho_{\nu} \ll \rho_{\rm DM})$ \rightarrow must sample all possible r, p_r, l \rightarrow must include all possible ν s that reach the MW (fastest ones may come from given N ν : several (up to $\mathcal{O}(100)$) Mpc!) \rightarrow weigh each neutrinos \rightarrow reconstruct final density profile with kernel method from [Merritt&Tremblay, 1994] S. Gariazzo "Relic neutrinos: clusteringand consequences for direct detection" WIN2019, 04/06/2019



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DM: Time evolution of the profiles

[JCAP 09 (2017) 034]

profile evolution from universe expansion

$$\rho_{cr}(z) = \frac{3}{8\pi G}H^{2}(z) \qquad M_{vir} = \frac{4\pi}{3}\Delta_{vir}(z)\rho_{cr}(z)a^{3}r_{vir}^{3}(z)$$

$$F_{cr}(z) = \Omega_{m,0}(1+z)^{3} + \Omega_{\Lambda,0} \qquad (constant in time)$$

$$H^{2}(z) = H_{0}^{2}F_{cr}(z) \qquad (virial radious r_{vir})$$

$$\rho_{cr}(z) = F_{cr}(z) \times \rho_{cr}(z=0) \qquad virial radious r_{vir}, average density \Delta_{vir}(z) \times \rho_{cr}(z)$$

$$but \rho_{DM} = \rho_{DM}(r; r_{s}, \mathcal{N}, [\gamma|\alpha])$$

$$relation between r_{s} and r_{vir}? \qquad (\frac{3M_{vir}}{4\pi\rho_{cr,0}\Omega_{m,0}})^{1/3} \left(\frac{\Omega_{m}(z)}{\Delta_{vir}(z)F_{cr}(z)}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\int_{cr} \Delta_{vir}(z) = \begin{cases} 200 & \text{for EIN}, \\ 18\pi^{2} + 82\lambda(z) - 39\lambda(z)^{2} & \text{for NFW}. \\ \lambda(z) = \Omega_{m}(z) - 1 \end{cases}$$
final expression $\Longrightarrow \left(\rho_{DM}(r, z) = N(z)\tilde{\rho}_{DM}(r, r_{s}(z))\right) \qquad \tilde{\rho}_{DM}$

$$P_{DM}(r, z) = h = 0.6727, \Omega_{m,0} = 0.3156, \Omega_{\Lambda,0} = 0.6844 [Plack Collaboration, 2015]$$

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Baryons: the complexity of a structure

Complex problem: how to model baryon content of a galaxy? models for the bulge Х e.g. [Pato et al., 2015]: 5 for the disc 70 different baryonic models Х 2 for the gas 10^{2} 10⁹ 101 [Misiriotis et al., 2006]: 108 5 independent 100 100 10 p/ (M_{sol}/kpc³) p/ (GeV/cm³) components 10 warm dust cold dust 10⁵ stars NFW best stars atomic H gas dust and gas molecular H gas 10-4 barvons 103 10 15 20 25 30 r/ kpc [Misiriotis et al., 2006], spherically symmetrized our case: 10/23 "Relic neutrinos: clusteringand consequences for direct detection" WIN2019, 04/06/2019



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[JCAP 09 (2017) 034]

Overdensity when $m_{\rm heaviest} \simeq 60$ meV



ordering dependence from $\Gamma_{\text{CNB}} = \sum_{i=1}^{3} |U_{ei}|^2 f_i [n_i(\nu_{h_R}) + n_i(\nu_{h_L})] N_T \bar{\sigma}$

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Overdensity when $m_{ m u} \simeq 150$ meV

[JCAP 09 (2017) 034]

 \Longrightarrow minimal mass detectable by PTOLEMY if Δ \simeq 100–150 meV



no ordering dependence: $m_1 \simeq m_2 \simeq m_3 \implies f_1 \simeq f_2 \simeq f_3$

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Additional clustering due to Virgo cluster

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nearest galaxy cluster:



initial phase space, $z = 4 \longrightarrow$ homogeneous Fermi-Dirac distribution



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final phase space, z = 0

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initial phase space, $z = 4 \longrightarrow$ homogeneous Fermi-Dirac distribution compute final position of each particle final phase space, z = 0S. Gariazzo "Relic neutrinos: clusteringand consequences for direct detection" WIN2019, 04/06/2019 16/23

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initial phase space, $z = 4 \longrightarrow$ homogeneous Fermi-Dirac distribution only interested in overdensity at Earth? **★** a lot of time is wasted! smarter way: track backwards only interesting particles! final phase space, z = 0S. Gariazzo "Relic neutrinos: clusteringand consequences for direct detection" WIN2019, 04/06/2019 16/23

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Forward-tracking

initial conditions need to sample 1D for position + 2D for momentum when using spherical symmetry

> with full grid would require 3+3 dimensions!

Impossible to relax spherical symmetry!

Back-tracking

"Initial" conditions only described by 3D in momentum

(position is fixed, apart for checks)

can do the calculation with any astrophysical setup

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[PTOLEMY, arxiv:1902.05508]

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Detection of the relic neutrinos

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using the definition:

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N_{\rm th}^{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = A_{\beta}N_{\beta}^{i}(\hat{E}_{end} + \Delta E_{end}, m_{i}, U) + \boldsymbol{A}_{\rm CNB}N_{\rm CNB}^{i}(\hat{E}_{end} + \Delta E_{end}, m_{i}, U) + N_{b}
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if $\mathbf{A_{CNB}} > 0$ at $N\sigma$, direct detection of CNB accomplished at $N\sigma$



Dirac and Majorana neutrinos

[Roulet+, JCAP 10 (2018) 049]

direct detection through $\nu_e + {}^3\mathrm{H} \longrightarrow e^- + {}^3\mathrm{He}$

only neutrinos with correct chirality can be detected!

non-relativistic Majorana case: ν and $\bar{\nu}$ cannot be distinguished!

expect more events for the Majorana than for Dirac case



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See talk by M. Messina on Thursday!

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Thank you for the attention!

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add **background**
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fit
$$\longrightarrow \chi^2(\theta) = \sum_i \left(\frac{N_{exp}^i(\hat{E}_{end}, \hat{m}_i, \hat{U}) - N_{th}^i(\theta)}{\sqrt{N_t^i}} \right)^2$$
 or $\log \mathcal{L} = -\frac{\chi^2}{2}$

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things are more complicated in this way...low background needed!

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Perspectives for the mass determination [PTOLEMY, arxiv:1902.05508]

statistical only!

relative error on $m_{\rm lightest}$

as a function of $\hat{m}_{
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(mass detection already with 10 mg of tritium!)

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Bayesian method:

Fit fiducial ordering $(\widehat{NO} \text{ or } \widehat{IO})$ using both correct and wrong ordering

 $\widehat{\rm NO}/{\rm NO}$ vs $\widehat{\rm NO}/{\rm IO}$

 $\widehat{\mathrm{IO}}/\mathrm{NO}$ vs $\widehat{\mathrm{IO}}/\mathrm{IO}$







Requirements for PTOLEMY discoveries

What do we need to discover...

	low Γ_b	extreme Δ	a lot of ³ H
$\dots \nu$ masses?	×	×	?
$\dots \nu$ mass ordering?	×	?	?
CNB direct detection?	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

√: strongly required
 ?: not so strongly required
 X: loosely required