

Quantum Decoherence in Supernova Neutrinos

Consequences and future phenomenological limits

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- Sources of decoherence:



Quantum Decoherence hypothesis: neutrino spontaneously loses coherence by non-standard mixing effects (new physics, e.g. candidate theories of quantum gravity)

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- Largely tested in neutrino physics
- Framework to phenomenologically describe it: open quantum systems with Lindblad (or GKSL) equation

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i[H, \rho] + \mathcal{D}(\rho)$$

ρ : Reduced density matrix for a N-level system

V_p : Jumping operator

- Subsystem in contact to environment
- Trace preserving evolution
- Ensures positivity

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = \sum_p^{N^2-1} (V_p \rho V_p^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{V_p^\dagger V_p, \rho\})$$

Expansion in SU(N) generators:

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = \mathcal{D}(\rho)_\mu \lambda^\mu = D_{\mu\nu} \rho^\nu \lambda^\mu$$

$$\dot{\rho} = (\mathcal{H} + D)\rho$$

ρ : 9 x 1 vector for N = 3

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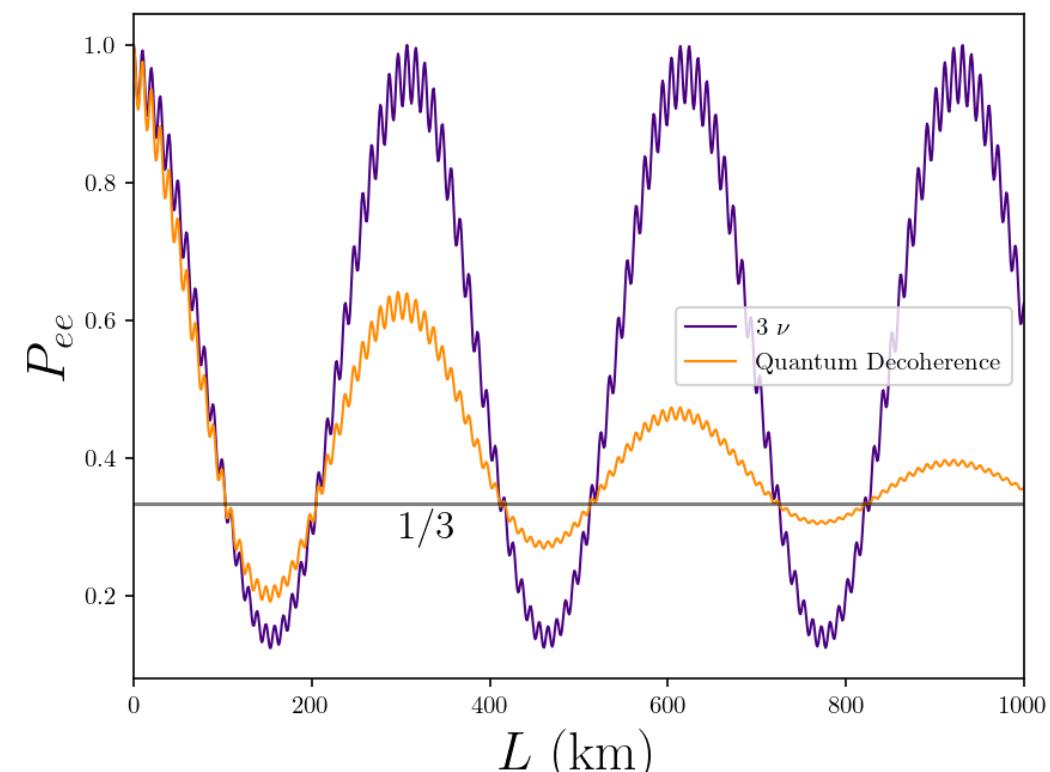
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- Assumption: $V_p = V_p^\dagger$ (increase of von Neumann entropy)

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma_1 & \beta_{12} & \beta_{13} & \beta_{14} & \beta_{15} & \beta_{16} & \beta_{17} & \beta_{18} \\ 0 & \beta_{12} & -\gamma_2 & \beta_{23} & \beta_{24} & \beta_{25} & \beta_{26} & \beta_{27} & \beta_{28} \\ 0 & \beta_{13} & \beta_{23} & -\gamma_3 & \beta_{34} & \beta_{35} & \beta_{36} & \beta_{37} & \beta_{38} \\ 0 & \beta_{14} & \beta_{24} & \beta_{34} & -\gamma_4 & \beta_{45} & \beta_{46} & \beta_{47} & \beta_{48} \\ 0 & \beta_{15} & \beta_{25} & \beta_{35} & \beta_{45} & -\gamma_5 & \beta_{56} & \beta_{57} & \beta_{58} \\ 0 & \beta_{16} & \beta_{26} & \beta_{36} & \beta_{46} & \beta_{56} & -\gamma_6 & \beta_{67} & \beta_{68} \\ 0 & \beta_{17} & \beta_{27} & \beta_{37} & \beta_{47} & \beta_{57} & \beta_{67} & -\gamma_7 & \beta_{78} \\ 0 & \beta_{18} & \beta_{28} & \beta_{38} & \beta_{48} & \beta_{58} & \beta_{68} & \beta_{78} & -\gamma_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

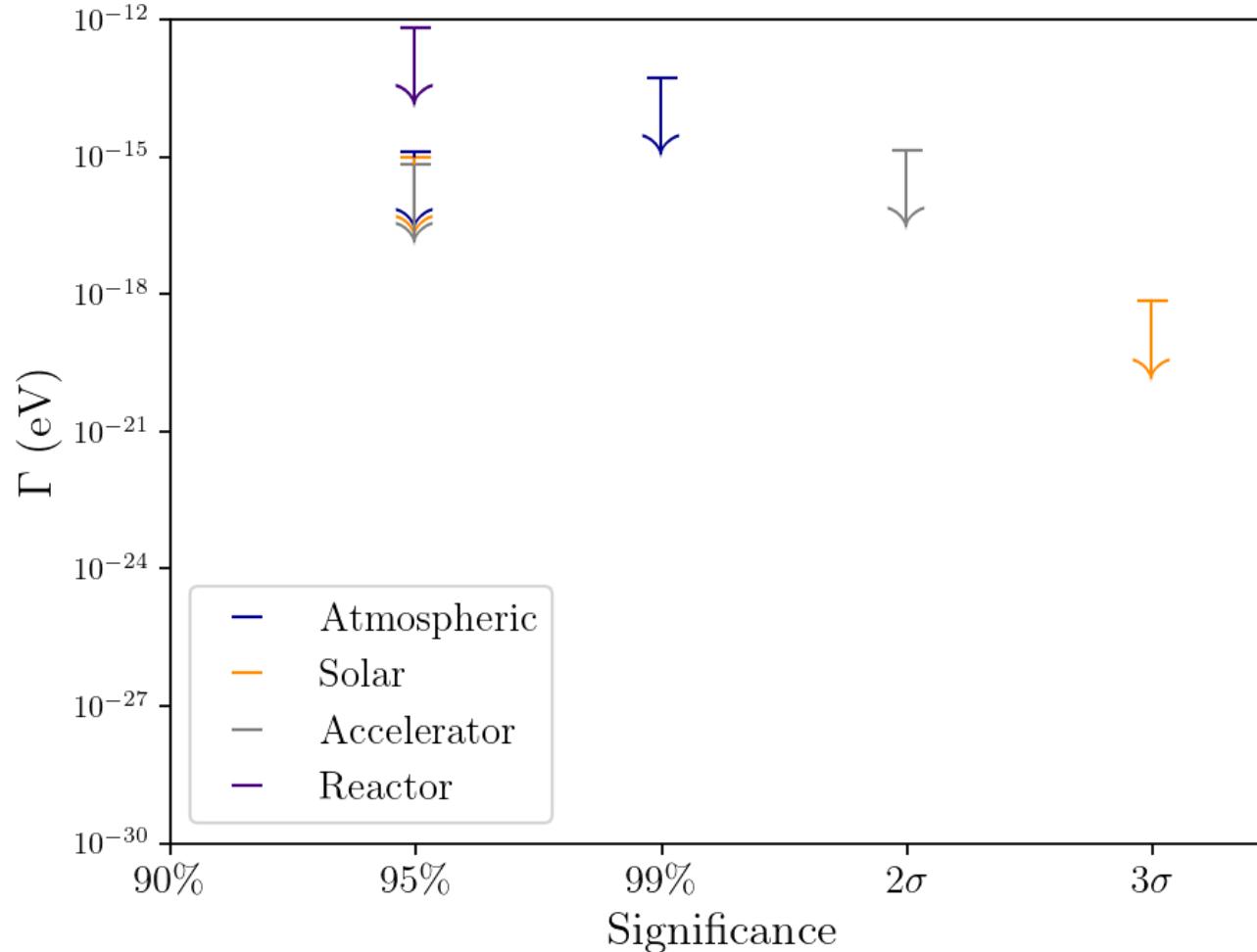
- Initial ν_e in vacuum:
 - Damping
 - Maximal mixing

- Coefficients are not independent to ensure complete positivity
- # of parameters is unmanageable: diagonal format



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- Only upper limits:



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 -P. Coloma, J. Lopez-P., I. Martinez-S., and H. Nunokawa, “Decoherence in neutrino propagation through matter, and bounds from icecube/deepcore”, *The Eur. P. J. C*, 2018.
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 -J. A. Coelho, W. A. Mann, and S. S. Bashar, “Nonmaximal θ 23 mixing at nova from neutrino decoherence”, *Physical Review Letters* **118** (2017), no. 22, 221801.
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What a future supernovae could contribute to this picture

- Turning off collective oscillations
- Only **MSW** effect

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$$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_3$$

$$\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \nu_1$$

$$\nu_x \rightarrow \nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3$$

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Already incoherent flavor states!

- No **damping** in SN (only MSW)
- Would it be possible the **maximal mixing**?

- Solve the equation of motion in **mass basis in vacuum** for:

$$V_p = V_p^\dagger$$

$$D = -\text{diag}(0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_5, \gamma_6, \gamma_7, \gamma_8)$$

- Evaluate equation of motion in mass basis in vacuum

Transition of mass states (in vacuum)

Change of variables (to independent ones):

$$\gamma_3 = \Gamma_3 + \frac{\Gamma_8}{3}$$

$$\gamma_8 = \Gamma_8$$

$$D = -\text{diag}(0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_5, \gamma_6, \gamma_7, \gamma_8)$$

$$P_{11} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\left(\Gamma_3 + \frac{\Gamma_8}{3}\right)x} + \frac{1}{6}e^{-\Gamma_8 x}$$

$$P_{12} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-\left(\Gamma_3 + \frac{\Gamma_8}{3}\right)x} + \frac{1}{6}e^{-\Gamma_8 x}$$

$$P_{13} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-\Gamma_8 x}$$

$$P_{22} = P_{11}$$

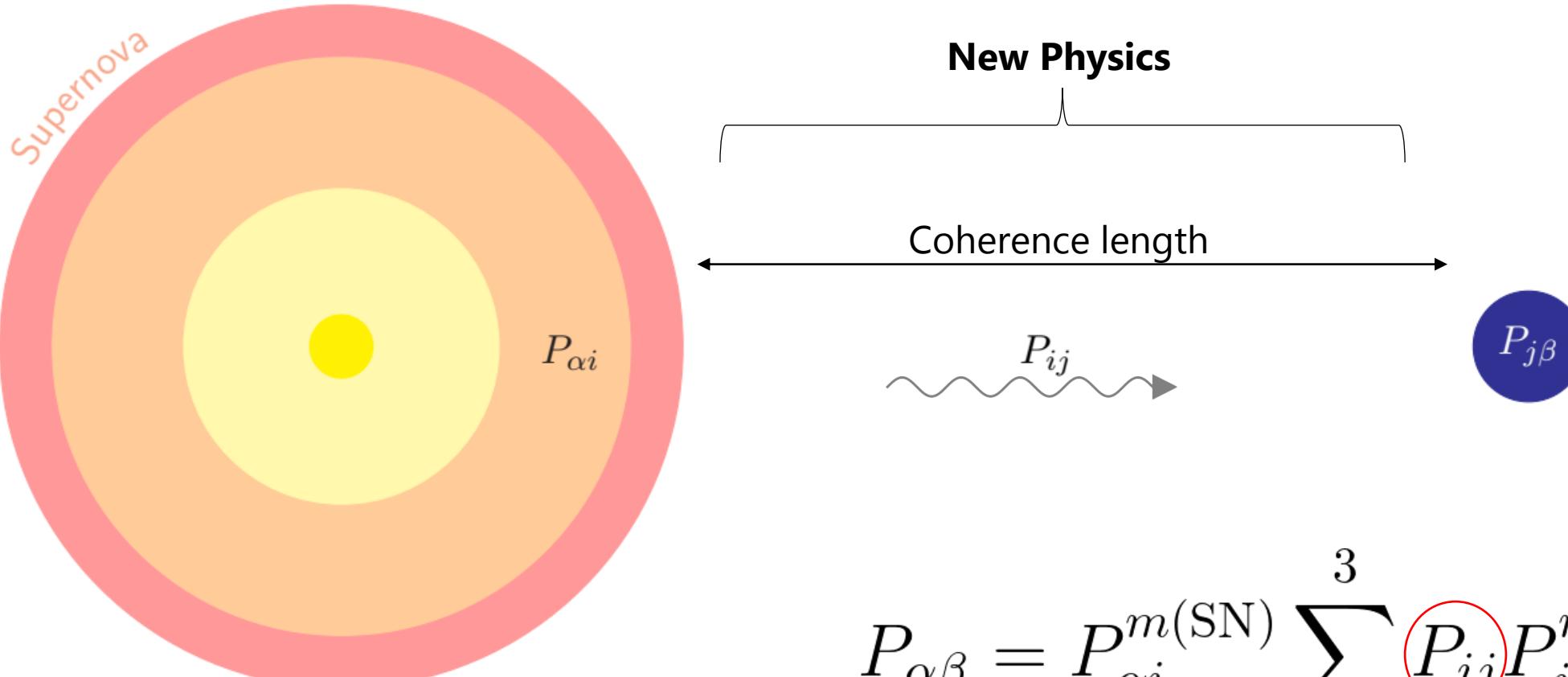
$$P_{23} = P_{13}$$

$$P_{33} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\Gamma_8 x}$$

Maximal mixing: 1/3

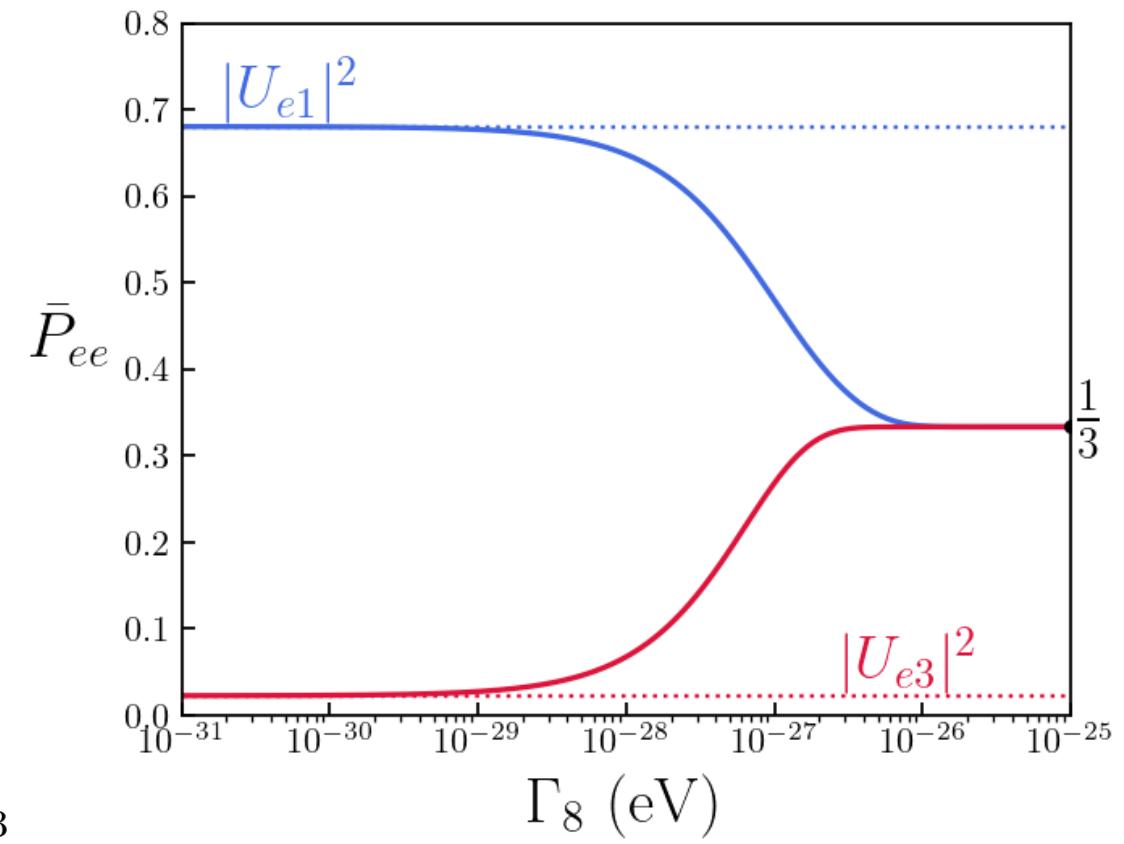
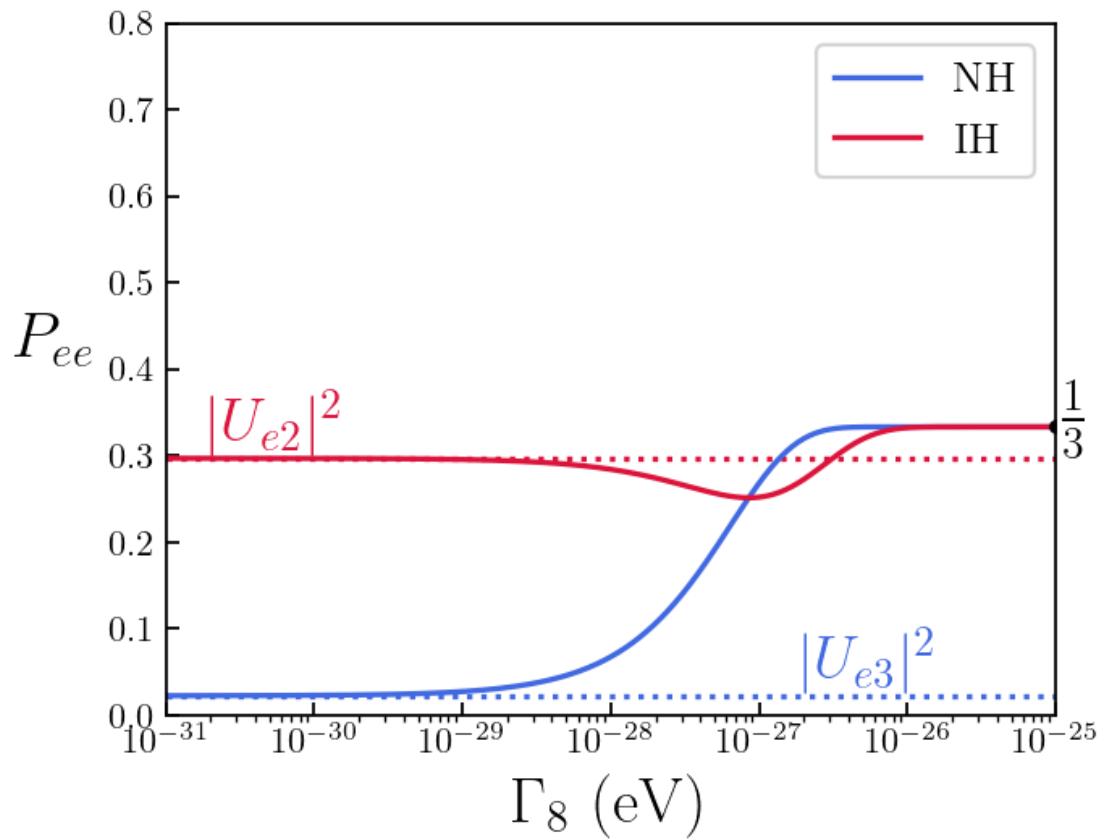
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- Factorize probability for supernova neutrinos



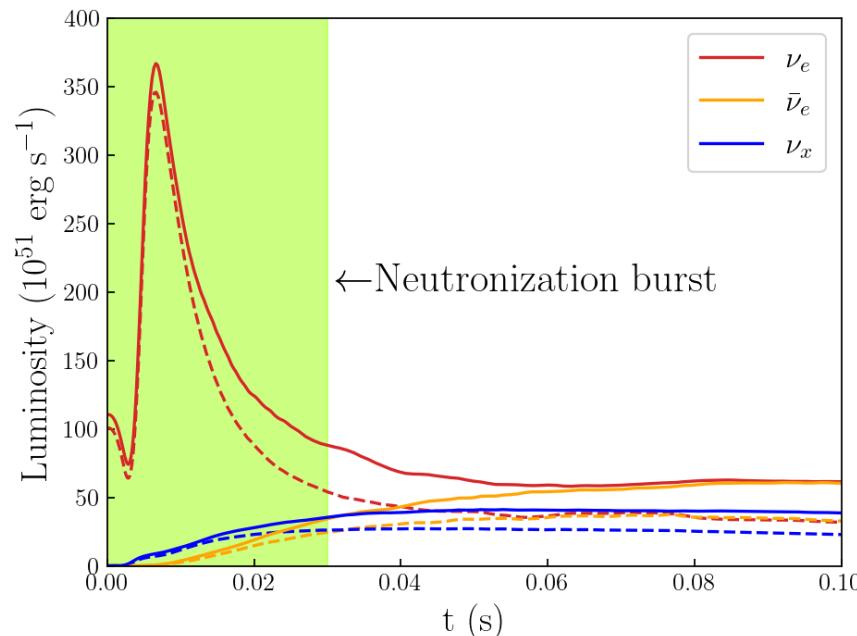
$$P_{\alpha\beta} = P_{\alpha i}^{m(\text{SN})} \sum_{j=1}^3 P_{ij} P_{j\beta}^{m(\text{Earth})}$$

- Survival probabilities for a **10 kpc SN** (adiabatic propagation)



$$P_{\alpha\beta} = P_{\alpha i}^{m(\text{SN})} \sum_{j=1}^3 \textcolor{red}{P_{ij}} P_{j\beta}^{m(\text{Earth})}$$

- How to test maximal mixing in Supernova neutrinos?
 - Simulated data (from Garching group, thank you!)
 - Collective oscillations are uncertain in the current scenario: **neutronization burst**



$$\phi_{\nu_e} = \phi_{\nu_e}^0 P_{ee} + \phi_{\nu_x}^0 (1 - P_{ee})$$

$$\phi_{\bar{\nu}_e} = \phi_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 \bar{P}_{ee} + \phi_{\nu_x}^0 (1 - \bar{P}_{ee})$$

$$\phi_{\nu_x} = \phi_{\nu_e}^0 (1 - P_{ee}) + \phi_{\nu_x}^0 (2 + P_{ee} + \bar{P}_{ee}) + \phi_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 (1 - \bar{P}_{ee})$$

$27 M_\odot$ progenitor

- Future generation experiments: **DUNE, Hyper-K, JUNO**

- How to test maximal mixing in Supernova neutrinos?
 - Spectrum of events for each detector

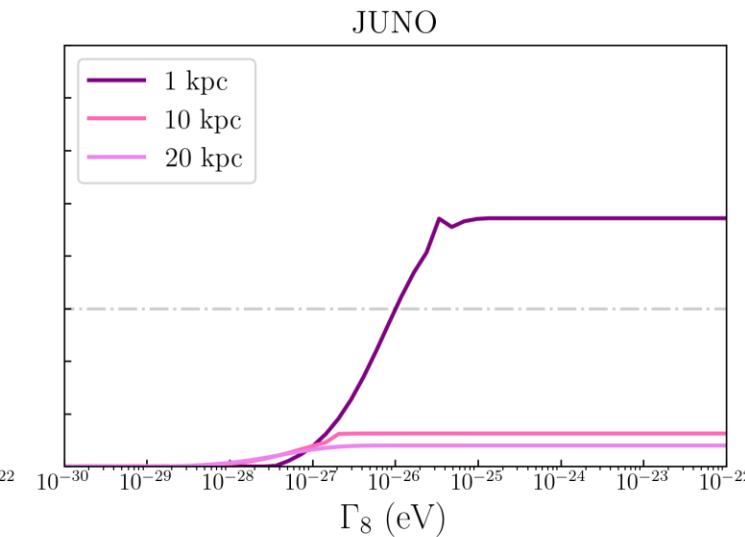
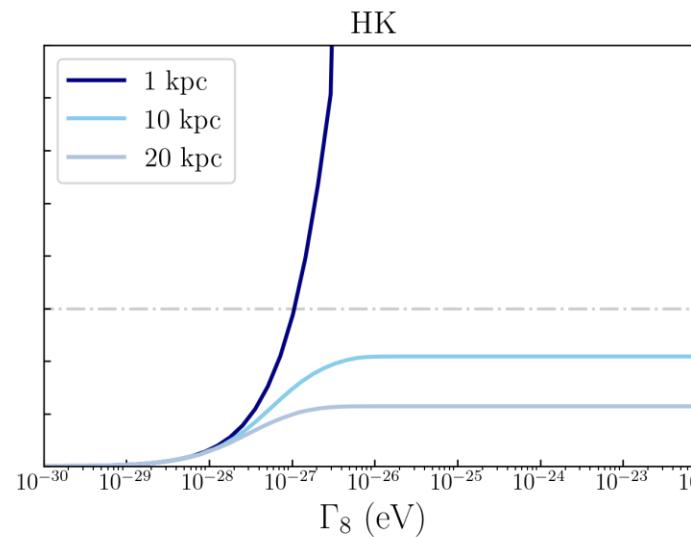
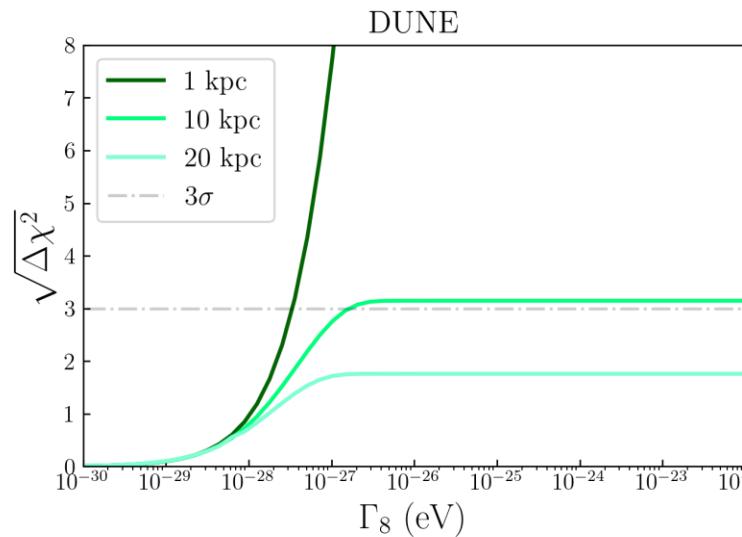
$$N_j = n_d^c \int_0^\infty dt \int_0^\infty dE_\nu \frac{d\phi_\nu^2}{dt dE_\nu} \eta(E_\nu) \int_{E_i}^{E_f} d\bar{E}_\nu R_j(\bar{E}_\nu, E_\nu) \sigma(E_\nu, \bar{E}_\nu)$$

- Statistical analysis

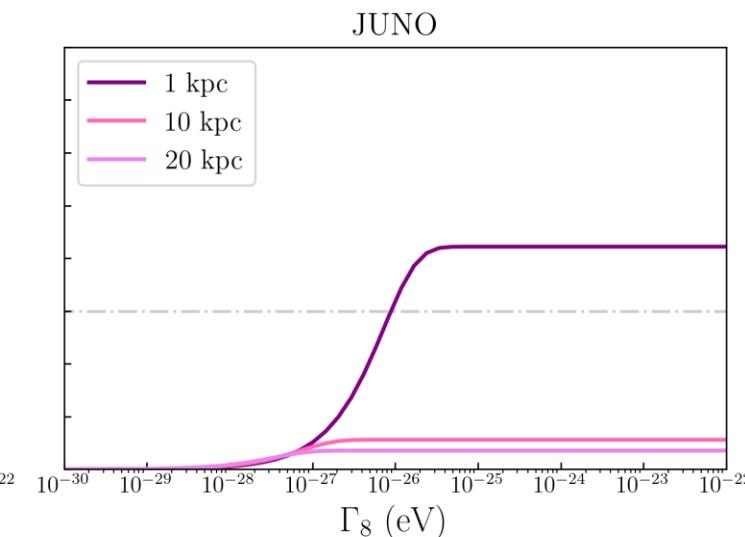
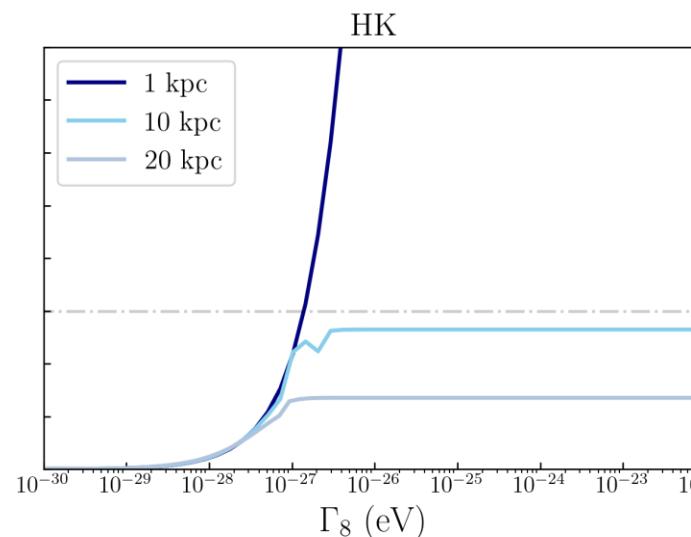
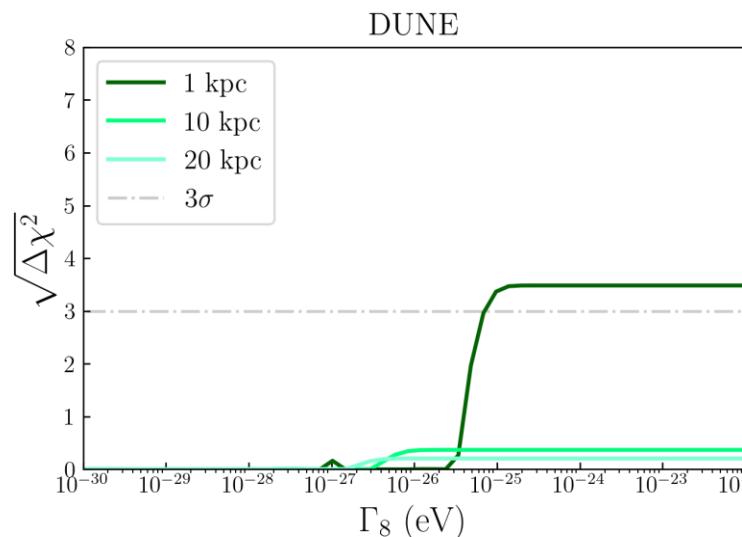
$$\chi^2(\Gamma_8, \Gamma_3) = \sum_d \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{(N_{j,d}^{\text{std}} - (1+a)N_{j,d}^{\text{th}})^2}{N_{j,d}^{\text{th}}} + \frac{a^2}{\sigma_a^2}$$

• Future limits (no Earth regeneration):

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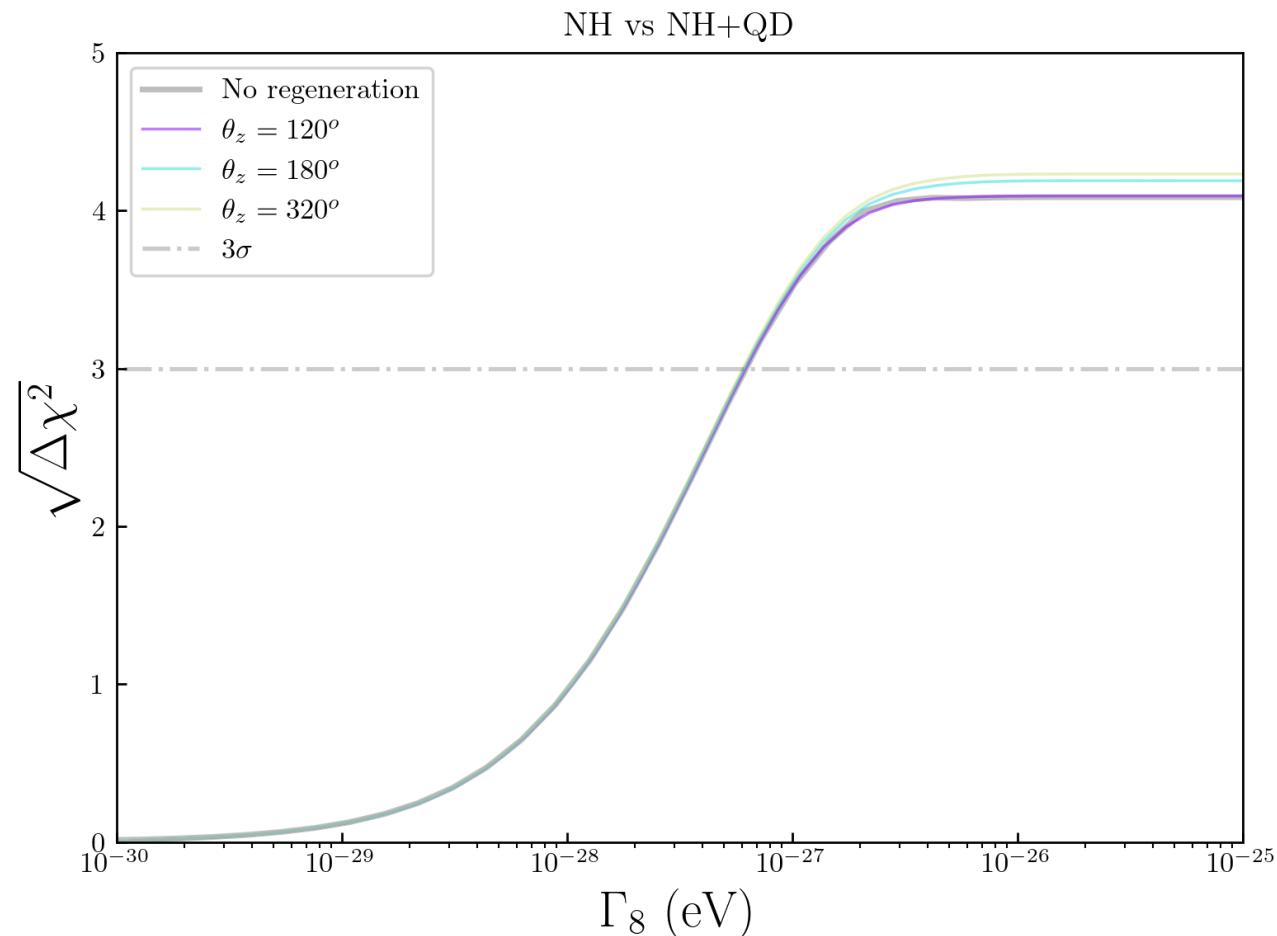


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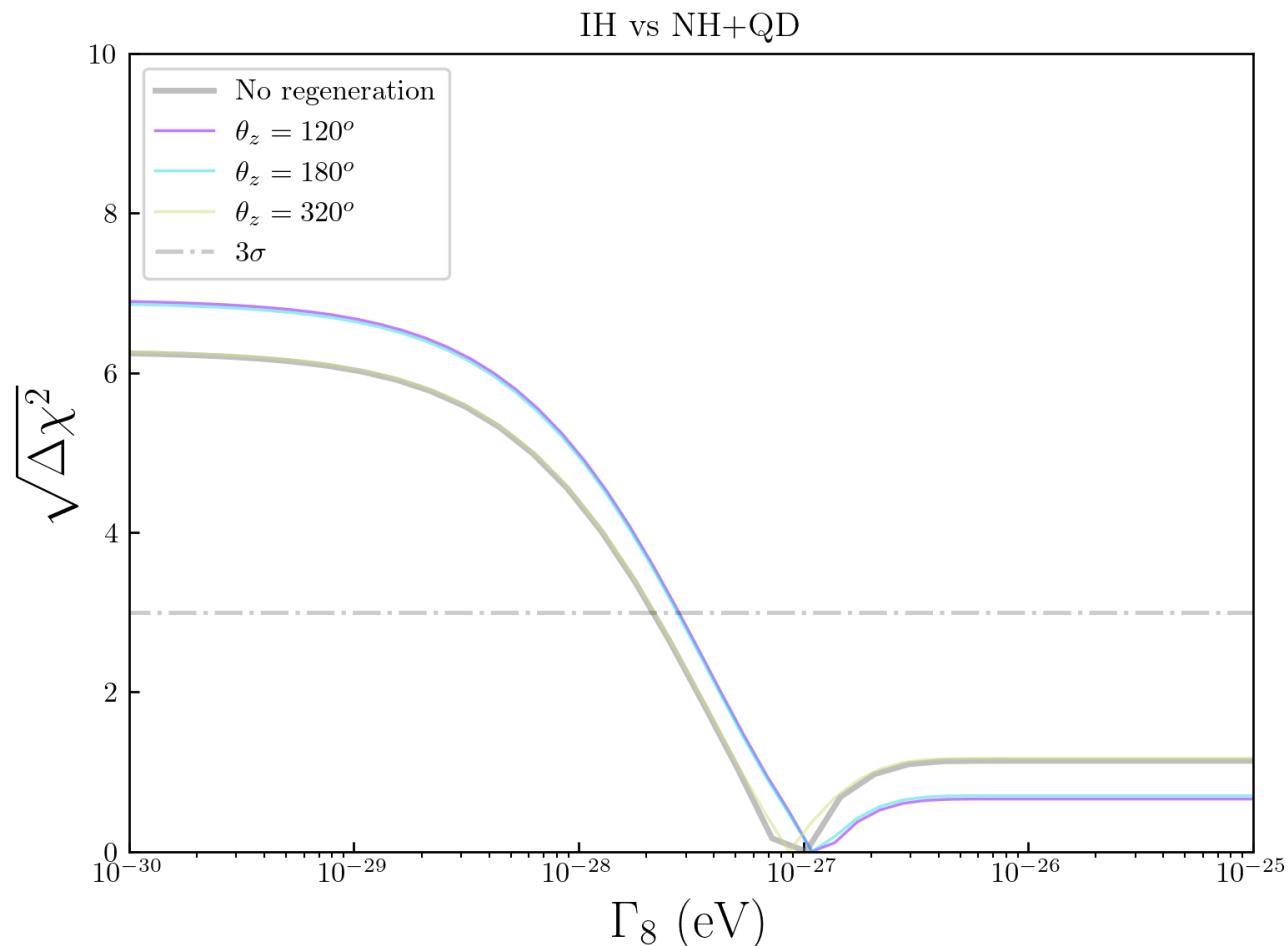
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DUNE+HK+JUNO

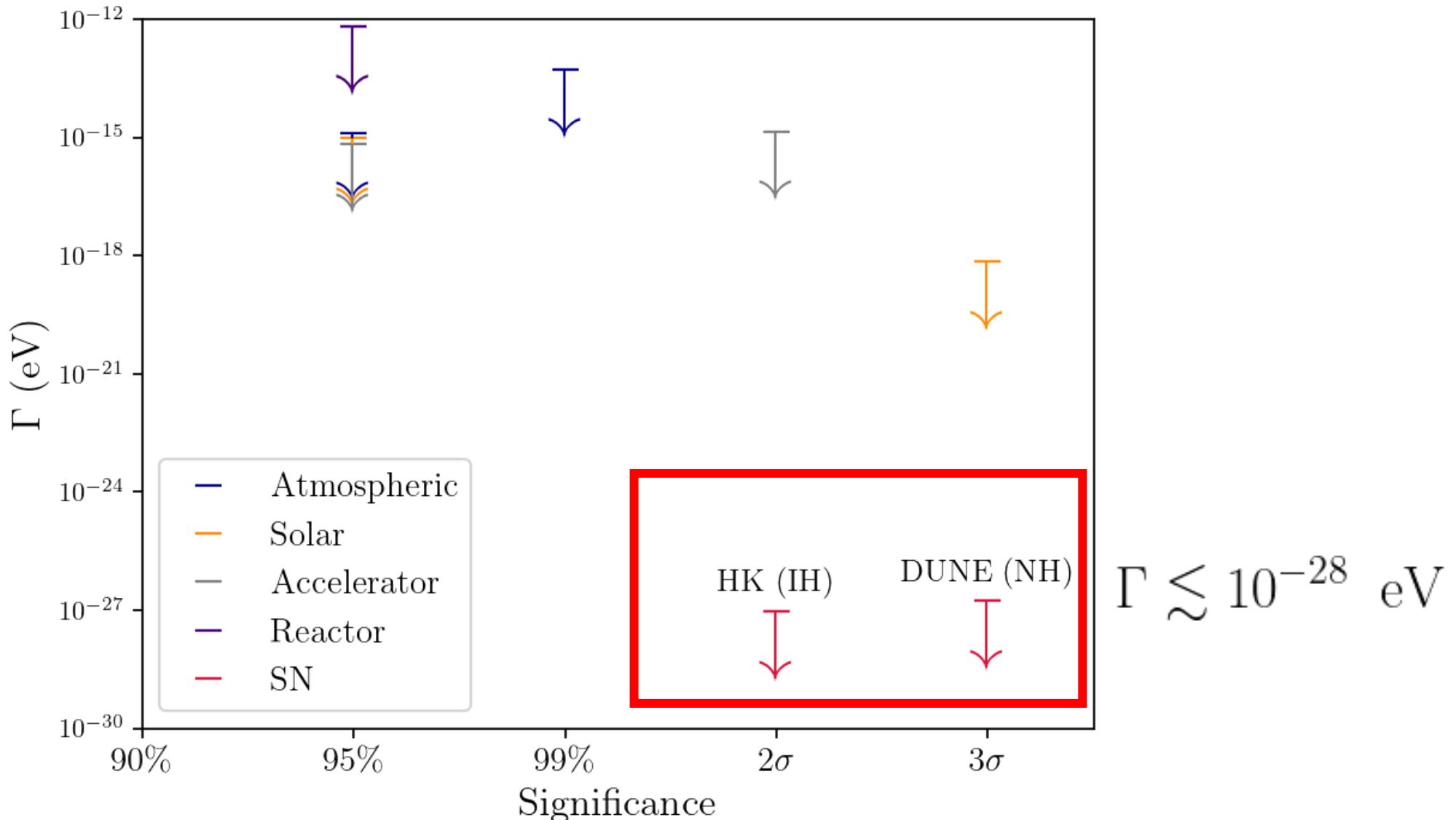


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- Future limits for a **10 kpc SN**:



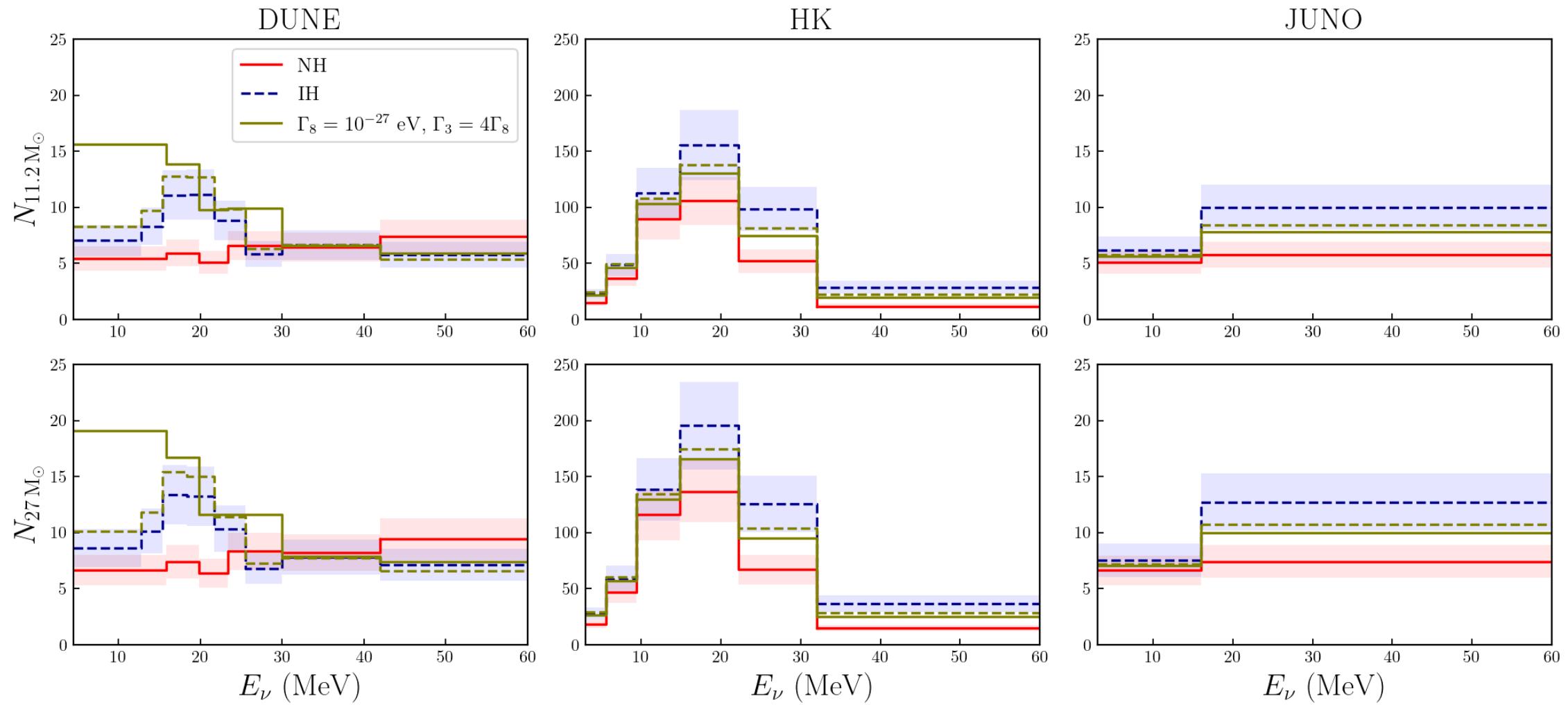
$$\Gamma \lesssim 10^{-28} \text{ eV}$$

- Final remarks:
 - Quantum decoherence can be highly constrained
 - Demonstrates the powerfull capabilities of next generation detectors
 - In arxiv soon: MVS, P. Dedin Neto, P. C. de Holanda, Ernesto Kemp.
On the Effects of Quantum Decoherence in a Future Supernova Neutrino Detection, 2023.

Thank you!
Grazie mille!



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