

International Neutrino Summer School 2021

Core Collapse Supernova Neutrinos Mini Project Group B

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Overview of Project

- Neutrinos emitted during core-collapse supernovae provide an important window into understanding such phenomena
- Rates of interactions between different neutrino flavors and target particles need to be understood in order to take advantage of this signature



- “Back-of-the-envelope” calculations can give an idea of the order of magnitude of expected interaction events
- SNOwGLoBES software allows for more precise interaction rate estimates for expected and detected events and for different detector configurations and theoretical flux models,



Warmups

$$\text{Flux} \times \text{Cross Section} \times \text{No. of targets} = \text{No. of Interactions}$$

- **ESTIMATE:** Number of solar neutrino interactions in a typical human body over a human lifetime

- **ASSUMPTIONS:**

- All interactions are neutrino-electron elastic scattering
- Human body is made of water
- Mass of human body is 80 kg
- Average human lifespan is 80 years
- Solar neutrino flux is about $2 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

$$(2 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}) \times (5 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2) \times (6.74 \times 10^{37} \text{ s electrons}) = 6.8 \text{ interactions}$$

- **ESTIMATE:** Number of $\nu_e - {}^{40}\text{Ar}$ CC neutrino interactions in a 40-kton liquid-argon detector for a core collapse at center of Milky Way AND in M31

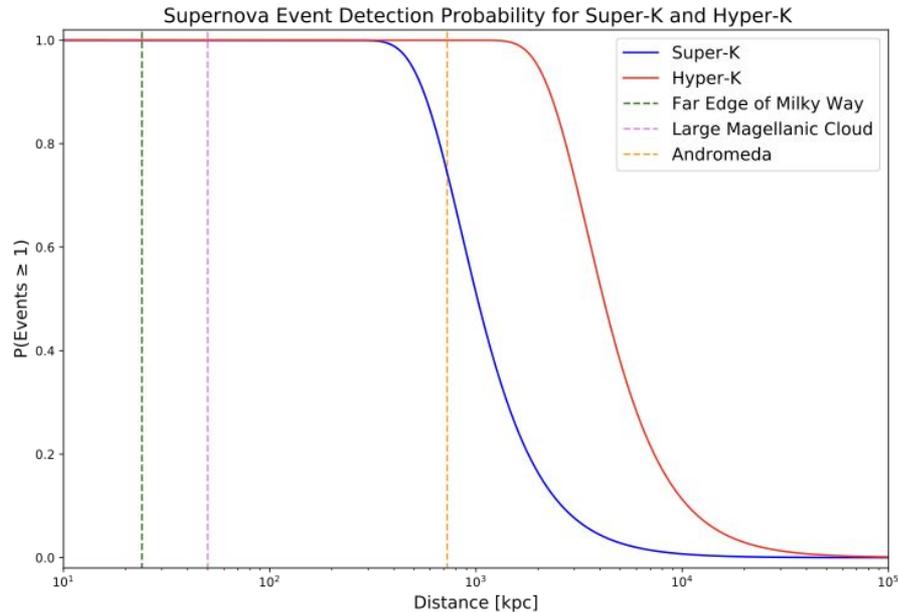
- **Milky Way:**

$$(1.38 \times 10^{12} \nu_e \text{ cm}^{-2}) \times (2 \times 10^{-41} \text{ cm}^2) \times (6 \times 10^{32} {}^{40}\text{Ar nuclei}) = 17,500 \text{ interactions}$$

- **M31:**

$$(1.68 \times 10^8 \nu_e \text{ cm}^{-2}) \times (2 \times 10^{-41} \text{ cm}^2) \times (6 \times 10^{32} {}^{40}\text{Ar nuclei}) = 2.1 \text{ interactions}$$

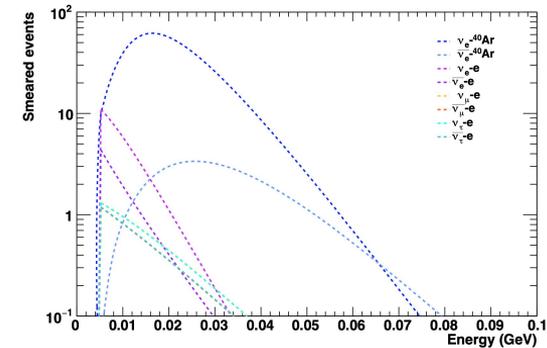
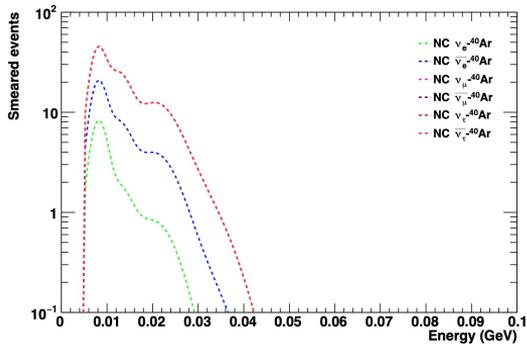
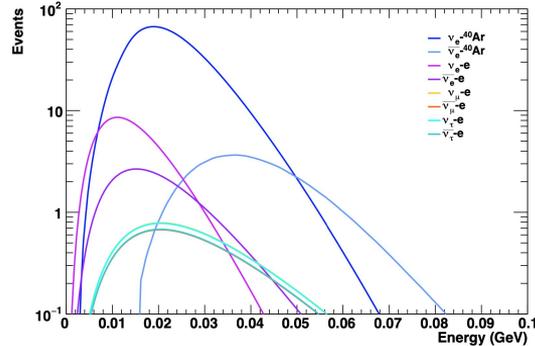
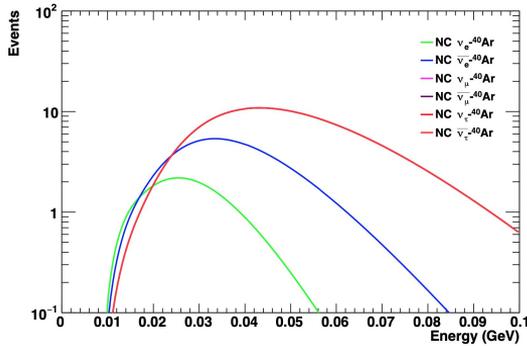
Warmups, cont.



- **PLOT:** Probability of recording at least one event as a function of distance out to 100 Mpc for Super-K and Hyper-K
- **ASSUMPTIONS:**
 - 7000 neutrinos will be recorded by Super-K on average for a core-collapse supernova at 10 kpc
 - Super-K is a detector made of 22.5 ktons of water
 - Hyper-K is a detector made of 374 ktons of water
 - All interactions are from inverse β -decay

Interaction Rates in Liquid Argon with SNOwGLoBES

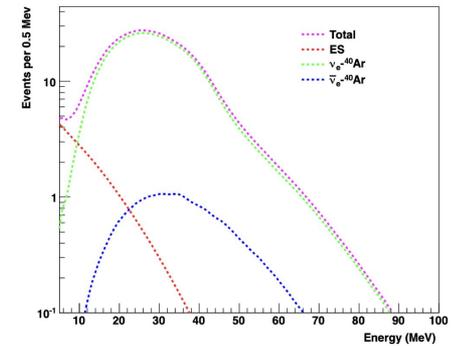
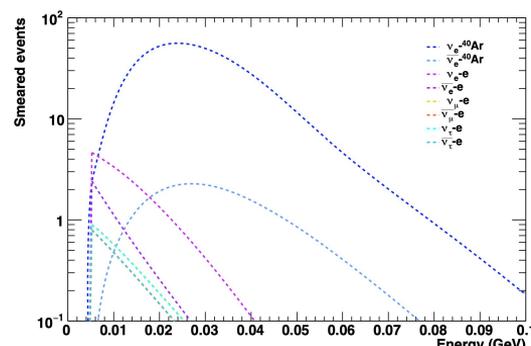
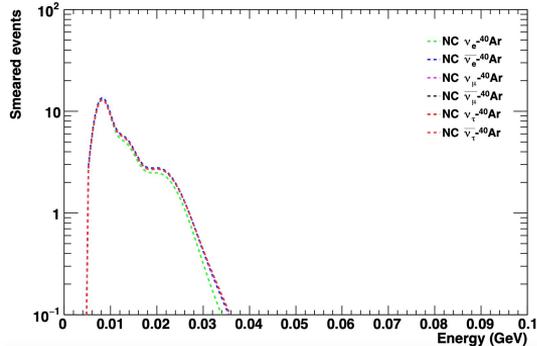
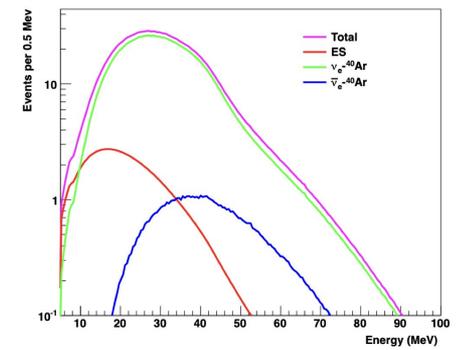
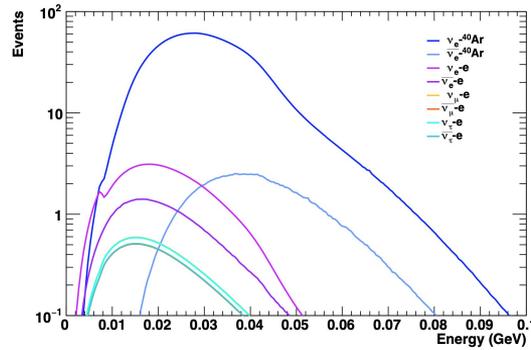
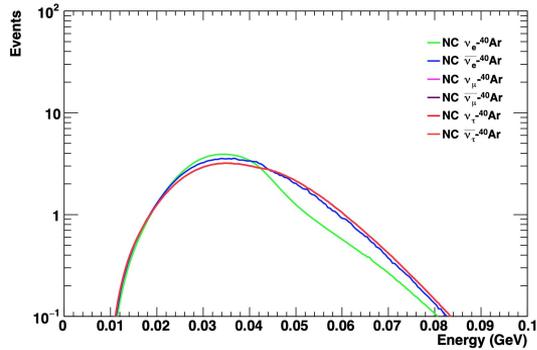
Livermore model for a 40 kt Liquid Argon Detector



Interaction Rates in Liquid Argon

GVKM model for a 40 kt Liquid Argon Detector
(Gava-Kneller-Volpe-McLaughlin)

SNOWGLoBES
manual (GVKM)



Comparing Livermore and GVKM flux models



Livermore ([10.1086/305364](https://arxiv.org/abs/10.1086/305364)) (1997):

- model of the SN1987A
- One dimensional simulation is performed from the onset of the collapse to 18 seconds after the core bounce in a consistent way

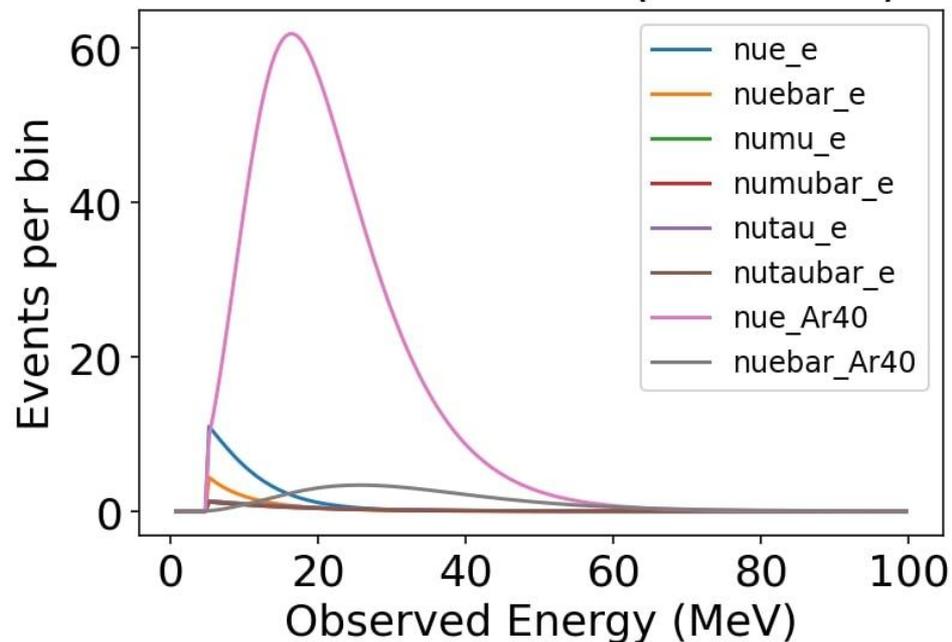
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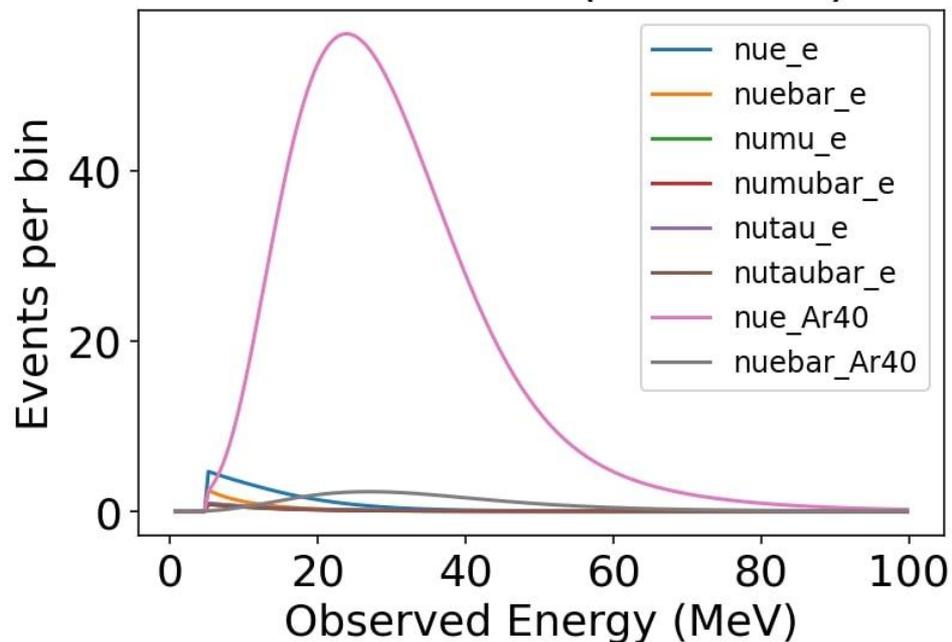
Events for Argon channel in 40kt Argon Detector

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Total events:	7291	4970

Livermore Model (Smearred)



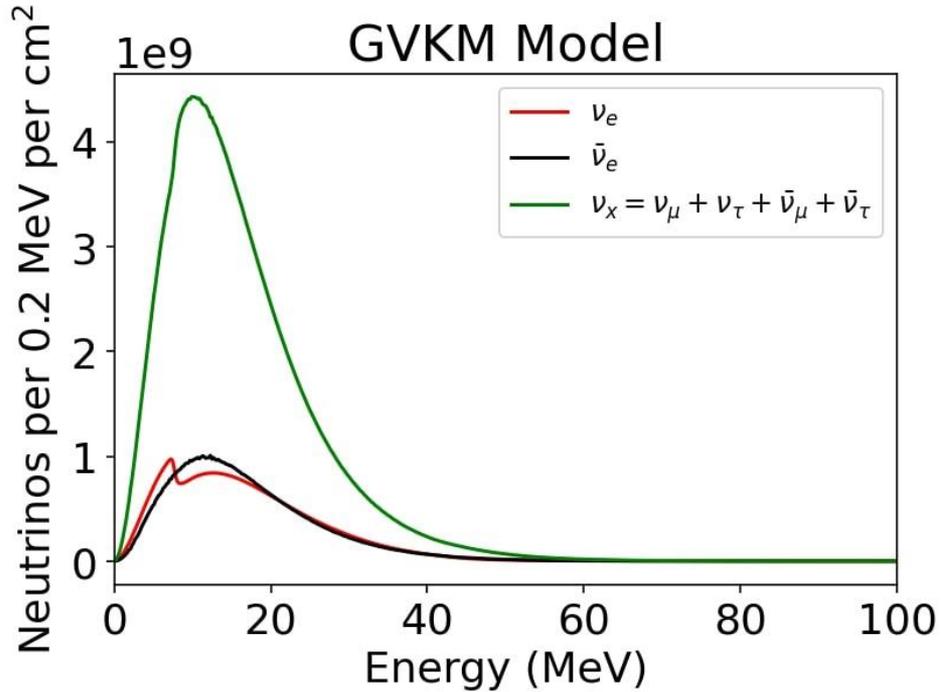
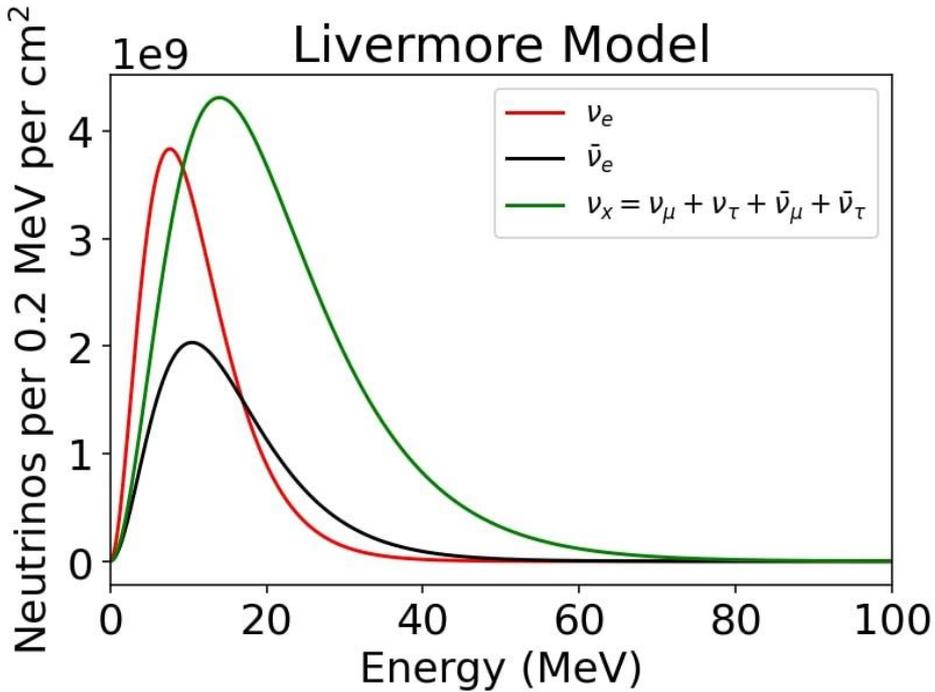
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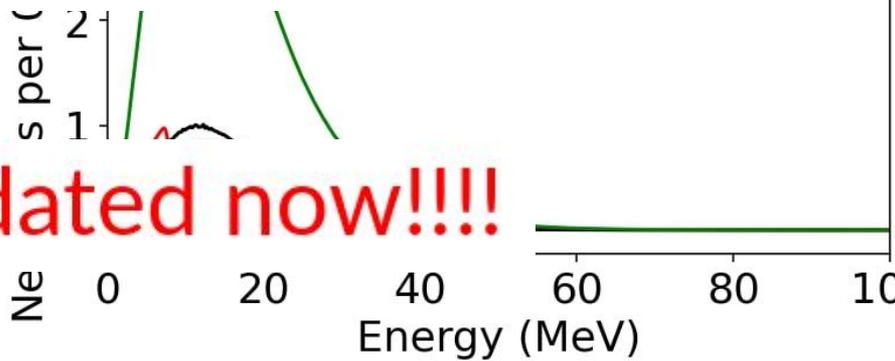
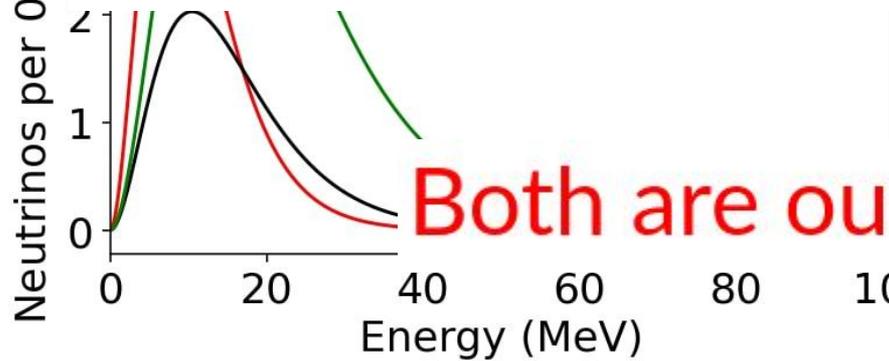
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So which model is more accurate?



Both are outdated now!!!!

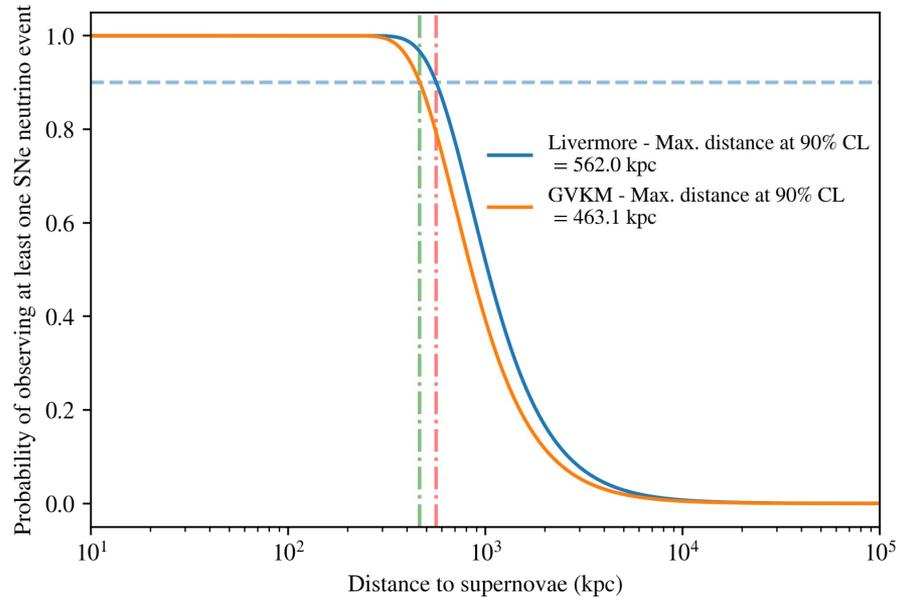
Planning for modern set of models for SNOwGLoBES soon
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Detection Probability with Distance in Liquid Argon

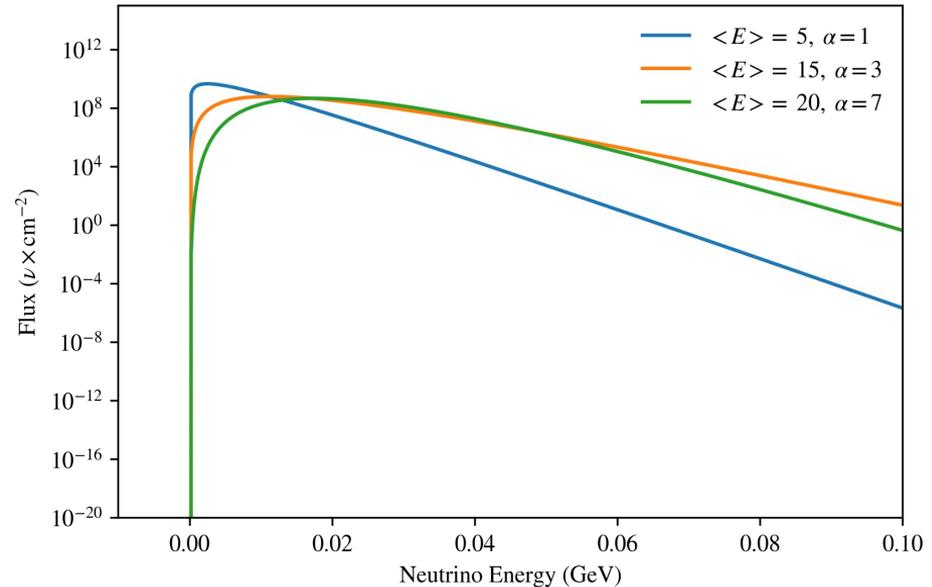
Large discrepancy
between models!



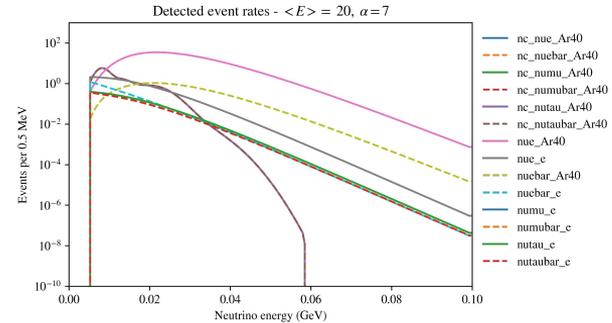
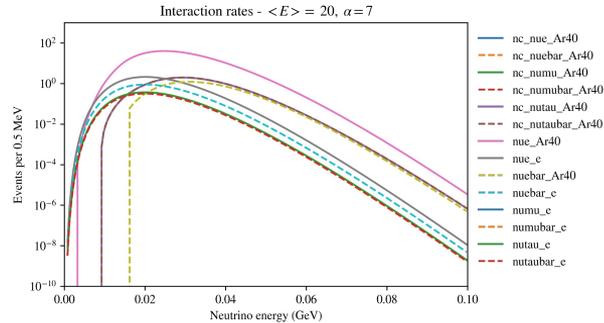
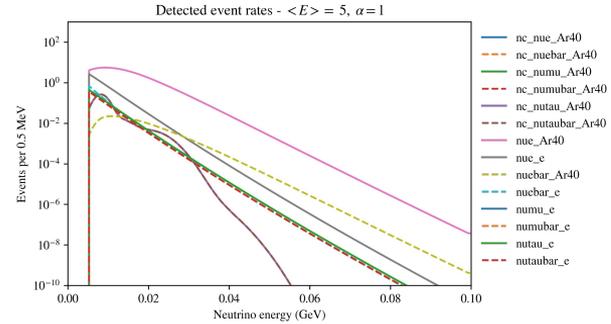
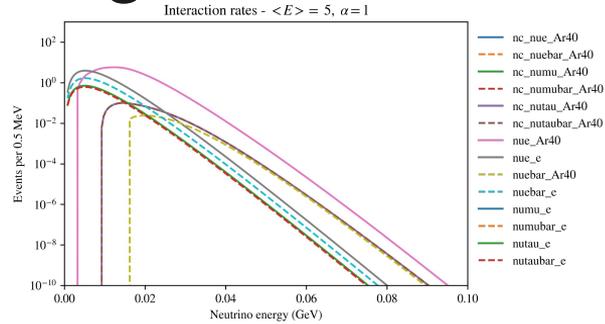
Garching Parameterization

- Garching model ([1211.3920](#)) (2012)
 - Simplified SN flux model that allows parameterization
 - Can well reproduce features that can be observed in detectors
 - Allows broad testing of detection capability without knowing underlying model details

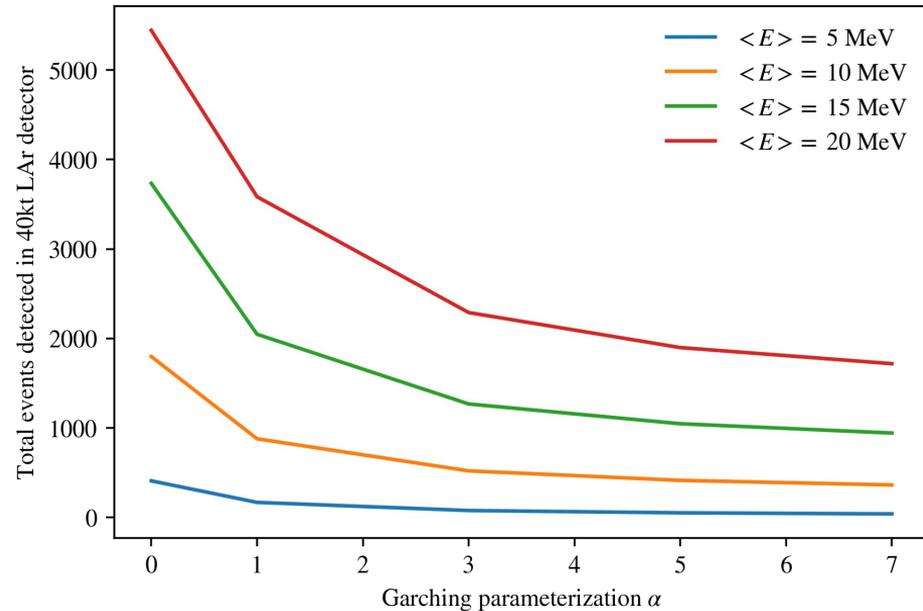
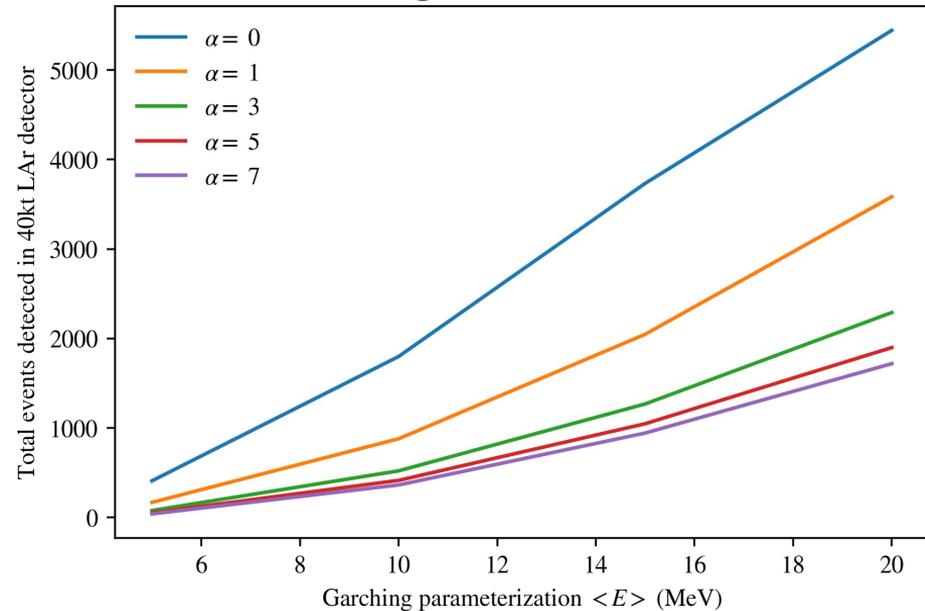
$$\phi(E_\nu) = \mathcal{N} \left(\frac{E_\nu}{\langle E_\nu \rangle} \right)^\alpha \exp \left[-(\alpha + 1) \frac{E_\nu}{\langle E_\nu \rangle} \right]$$



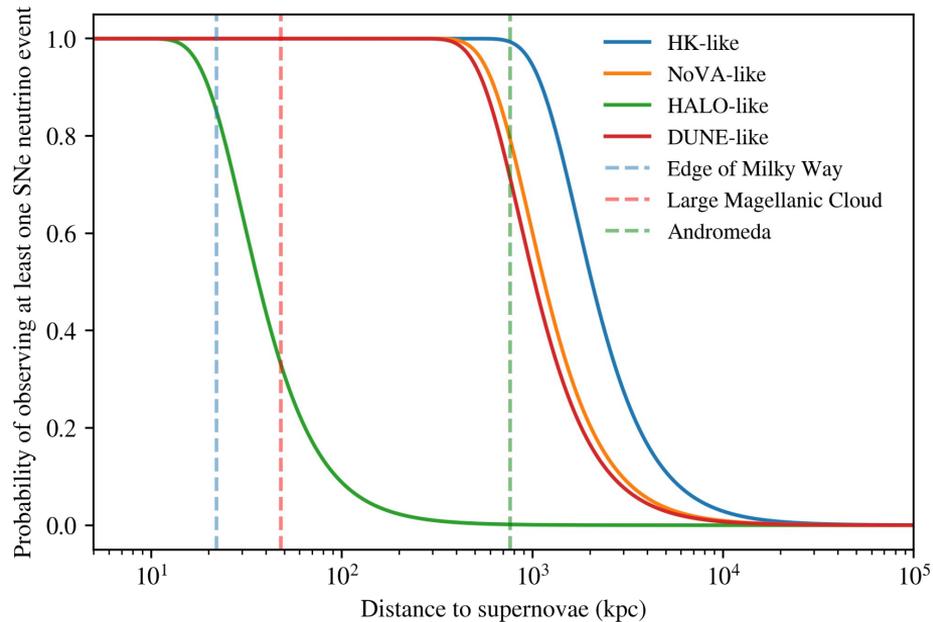
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Comparing Different Detector Types





Conclusions

SNOwGLoBES is a powerful software that can help to improve physicists' understanding of the expected signature from core collapse supernovae based on different flux parametrizations, supernova neutrino models, and detector parameters.



Thank you!