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#### Probing Sterile Neutrino Dipole Portal in Supernovae

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# **Neutrino Masses**

- The discovery of neutrino oscillations implies non-zero neutrino masses.
- Monumental progress to understand neutrino mixing paradigm but yet to understand the neutrino mass mechanism.
- The minimal scenario includes the introduction of right-handed neutrinos (RHN).
- RHNs are motivated BSM candidates  $\nu$  masses, dark matter and matter-antimatter asymmetry ( $\eta_B$ )



# **Sterile Neutrinos**



Add SM-singlet heavy Majorana Neutrinos

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset Y_D \bar{L}_l \tilde{H} N + \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}^c M_N N + h.c.$$

• For small mixing,

$$m_{\nu} \simeq m_D \, M_N^{-1} \, m_D^T$$



• This also leads to tiny magnetic dipole moment for neutrinos in SM.

#### **Dipole Portal**



- Sterile neutrinos might couple to SM through higher dimensional operator. (see [0904.3244], [1707.08573], [2007.15563])
- In these case, large magnetic dipole moment can be generated.
- After EWSB, the lagrangian takes the following form

$$\mathcal{L} \supset i\bar{N}\partial \!\!\!/ N + \sum_{\alpha} d_{\alpha}\bar{N}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\nu^{\alpha}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{M_N}{2}\bar{N}^cN + h.c.$$

• We will be assuming flavor independent dipole portal coupling.





# Supernova : $\nu$ factory

- Core-collapse supernovae represent the most powerful sources of neutrinos in the Universe.
- during the explosion,  $\mathcal{O}(10^{58})$  (anti)neutrinos of all the flavors are emitted with average E ~ 15 MeV.
- Probe fundamental properties of neutrinos and even *emission of exotic BSM particles!*





# **Energy Loss SN1987A**

- SN 1987A neutrino signal  $\sim$  10 s, as expected from standard SN cooling scenario
- Light BSM particles produced in the SN core would constitute a novel channel of energy loss, shortening the duration of the neutrino burst.
- Excluding an additional energy drain can constrain sterile states produced through dipole interaction.





#### **Energy Loss SN1987A**

Observations constrain energy-loss rate per unit mass total luminosity bounds on dipole moment

$$L_s = \varepsilon_s \times 1 \, M_\odot \simeq 2 \times 10^{52} \, \mathrm{erg/s}$$

- Raffelt Criterion : Bound applied locally for sterile neutrino production at a characteristic radius.
- Integrated Luminosity Criterion : Bound on the total energy carried away by all sterile neutrinos produced at all radii



# Low-energy SN : IIP or not IIP



- Separate class of core-collapse SN with lowexplosion energies : underluminous SN IIP
- Based on the presence of characteristic *plateau* shape in their light curves , are termed SN IIP.
- The brightness and duration of the plateau is determined mainly by the explosion energy, ejecta mass, nickel mass and progenitor radius.
- Therefore, the explosion energy can be inferred given the spectrum and the light curves.





# Low-energy SN

- (Pejcha et. al., Muller et. al.) used fitting formulae and statistical inference along with quantifying the uncertainties, to infer the most likely explosion energy.
- The inferred explosion energy ranges from

 $E_{obs} \sim (7.4 \times 10^{49} - 4 \times 10^{51})$  erg.

- These reconstructed energies are in good agreement with expectations from the simulated low-energy SN.
- But the sterile neutrinos produced in the core can deposit energies of a similar magnitude, and hence can be constrained from the observations of these lowenergy SN

$$E_{dep} \le 10^{50} \text{ erg}$$





Name	$\epsilon = \log_{10}(E_{\rm obs}/10^{51})$	$\sigma_\epsilon$
SN 2001 dc	-1.13	0.33
SN 2013am	-0.98	0.25
SN 1980K	-0.77	0.27
SN 1995ad	-0.62	0.23
SN 2005cs	-0.55	0.21
SN 2009 js	-0.51	0.43

Muller, Prieto, Pejcha, Clocchiatti Astrophys. J. 841 (2017), Murphy, Mabanta, Dolence MNRAS 489 (2019)

# **Boltzmann Transport**



- The evolution of sterile neutrino abundances is governed by the Boltzmann transport equation.
- Assuming the medium is homogeneous and isotropic. This implies that the change in phase-space density will only be affected by the scatterings/pair-annihilation processes in the SN core.

$$\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} = \mathcal{C}_{coll}(f_s)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{coll} = \frac{1}{2E_s} \int d^3 \tilde{p_2} d^3 \tilde{p_3} d^3 \tilde{p_4} \Lambda(f_s, f_2, f_3, f_4) |S| M|_{12 \to 34}^2 \,\delta^4(p_s + p_2 - p_3 - p_4)(2\pi^4)$$

$$\Lambda(f_s, f_2, f_3, f_4) = (1 - f_s)(1 - f_2)f_3f_4 - f_sf_2(1 - f_3)(1 - f_4)$$

$$\frac{dL_s}{dE_s} = \frac{2E_s}{\pi} \int dr \, r^2 \frac{df_s}{dt} E_s \, p_s$$

# **Energy Loss/Deposition**



The sterile neutrino produced in SN core, decays outside the core but inside the mantle region, ٠ depositing energy into the SN envelope.

$$E_{\rm dep/cool} = \eta_{\rm lapse}^2 \int dt \int_0^{R_{\rm core}} dr \int_{M_N}^\infty dE_N \frac{dL_N(r, E_N, t)}{dr \, dE_N} \Theta\left(E_N - \frac{M_N}{\eta_{\rm lapse}}\right) \times P_{\rm cool/dep}(r)$$

$$P_{\rm cool}^{\rm SN1987A}(r) = \exp\left[-\int_{r}^{R_{\rm far}} \Gamma_{abs}(r') \,\mathrm{d}r'\right]$$
$$P_{\rm dep}^{\rm SNIIP}(r) = \exp\left[-\int_{r}^{R_{\rm core}} \Gamma_{abs}(r') \,\mathrm{d}r'\right] \left(1 - \exp\left[-\int_{R_{\rm core}}^{R_{\rm env}} \Gamma_{abs}(r') \,\mathrm{d}r'\right]\right)$$

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### **Dipole Portal : production**



• The following processes are involved in the production :



#### **Dipole Portal : Proton Primakoff**



• Due to forward scattering, there is a singularity in the t-channel processes.

$$|\mathcal{M}|^{2} = \frac{4 d^{2} e^{2}}{q^{4}} \left[8 \left(p_{1} \cdot p_{2}\right) \left(p_{2} \cdot p_{3}\right) \left(p_{1} \cdot p_{2} - p_{2} \cdot p_{3}\right) - 2 M_{N}^{2} \left(p_{1} \cdot p_{2} - p_{2} \cdot p_{3}\right) \left(p_{1} \cdot p_{2} + p_{2} \cdot p_{3} + m_{f}^{2}\right) + M_{N}^{4} \left(p_{1} \cdot p_{2} - p_{2} \cdot p_{3} - m_{f}^{2}\right)\right]$$

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$$\omega_{\rm P}^2 = \frac{4\alpha}{3\pi} \left( \mu_e^2 + \frac{\pi^2 T^2}{3} \right) + \frac{4\pi\alpha n_p}{m_p}$$

$$k_{\rm S}^2 = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{T} n_p + \frac{4\alpha}{\pi} \left( \mu_e^2 + \frac{\pi^2 T^2}{3} \right)$$

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 Contrary to previous literature, we find proton mode to be the most dominant. An order of magnitude stronger than scattering off electron.



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#### **Dipole Portal : Production rates**



### **Dipole Portal : decay**



• The following processes are involved in the decay :

$$N + e^{\pm} \rightarrow \nu + e^{\pm},$$
  

$$N + \mu^{\pm} \rightarrow \nu + \mu^{\pm},$$
  

$$N + p \rightarrow \nu + p,$$
  

$$N \rightarrow \nu + \gamma.$$

$$\Gamma_{abs} = \frac{1}{2p_N} \int d^3 \tilde{p_2} d^3 \tilde{p_3} d^3 \tilde{p_4} \,\tilde{\Lambda}(f_2, f_3, f_4) \times |M|^2_{12 \to 34} \,\delta^4(p_N + p_2 - p_3 - p_4)(2\pi)^4$$

$$\begin{split} \Gamma_{N \to \nu + \gamma} &= \frac{d^2 M_N^4}{16\pi p_N^2} \int_{P^-}^{P^+} dp_\gamma \left( 1 + f_\gamma(p_\gamma) \right) \\ &\times \left[ 1 - f_\nu \left( \sqrt{p_N^2 + M_N^2} - p_\gamma \right) \right] \end{split}$$

#### **Dipole Portal : Integrated luminosity**



Figure from GC, Huber, Horiuchi, Shoemaker (arXiv: 2402.01624)

Previous constraints from Brdar, Gouvêa, Li, Machado (arXiv: 2302.10965)

# Summary



- Usually energy loss argument from the observations of SN198A is used to constrain new physics.
- Sterile neutrinos produced in core-collapse SNe can also deposit energy through their decays inside the SN envelope.
- This energy deposition constrained from the observed SN IIP population

 $E_{dep} \le 10^{50}$  erg.

- For dipole portal, we find that underluminous SNIIP can help constrain the transition magnetic dipole moment by an order of magnitude than cooling bound.
- We find degeneracy effects for proton as stated previously in literature are absent and can help place even stronger bounds!
- Thus, SN physics can continue to be a powerful tool to test new physics beyond SN1987A!

# **STERILE NEUTRINOS**



#### **Dipole Portal : Raffelt criterion**



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#### **Ejecta Mass and Explosion Energies**

