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Neutrino clustering and CNB detection techniques

including details on PTOLEMY

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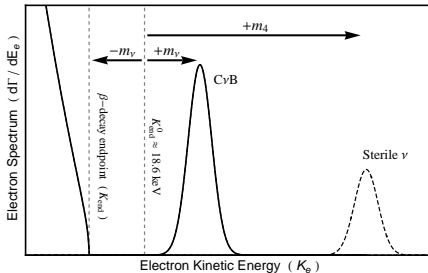
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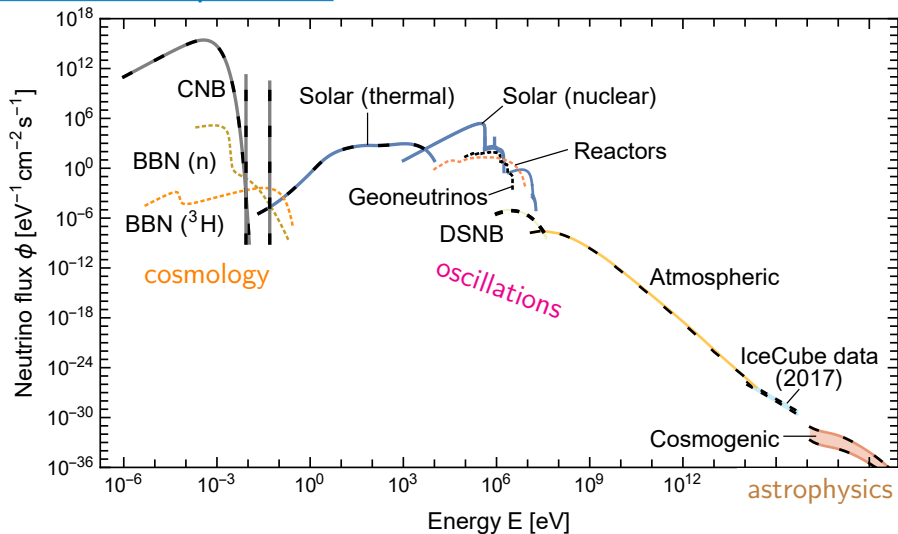
Direct detection of relic neutrinos

Proposed methods and their pros/cons

Based on:

- Cocco+,
JCAP 06 (2007) 015
- Long+,
JCAP 08 (2014) 038



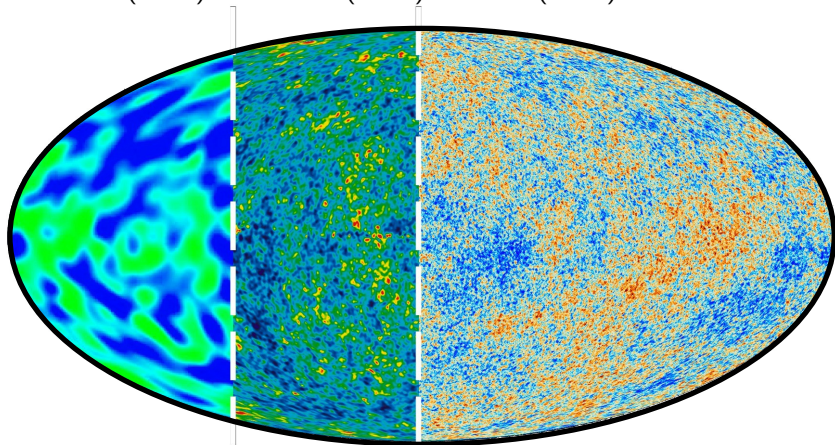


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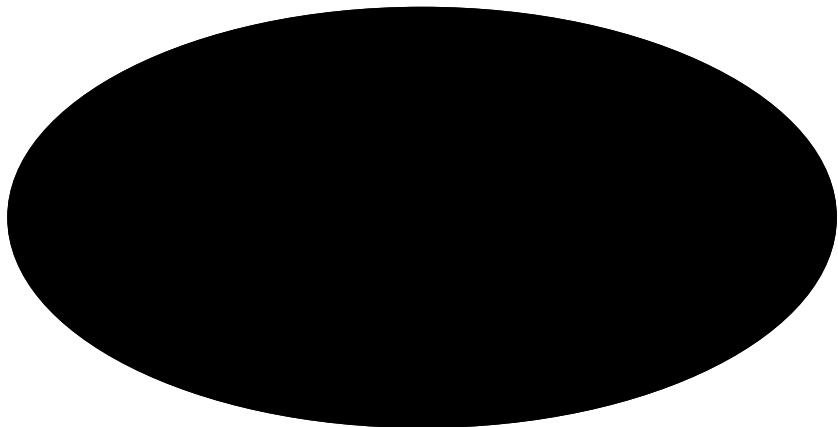
COBE (1992) WMAP (2003) Planck (2013)



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The Cosmic Neutrino Background, generated at $t \simeq 1$ s

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expected $a_\nu \simeq \mathcal{O}(10^{-26}) \text{ cm/s}^2$



$a_{\text{exp}} \simeq \mathcal{O}(10^{-12}) \text{ cm/s}^2$

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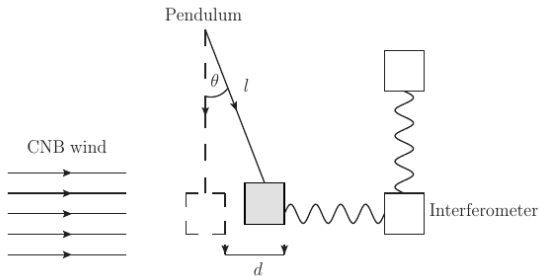
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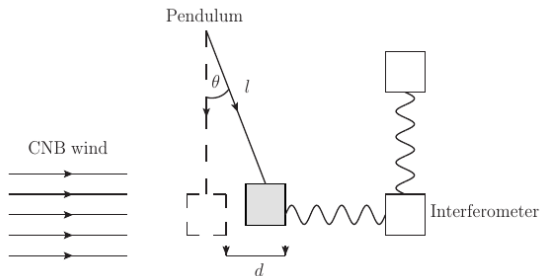
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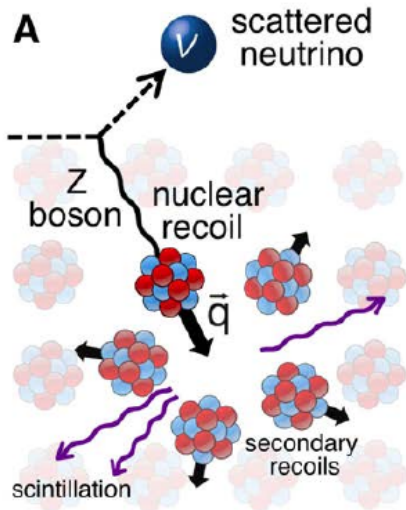
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$$10^{-33} \lesssim a_\nu / (\text{cm/s}^2) \lesssim 10^{-27}$$

$$a_{\text{LIGO/Virgo}} \simeq 10^{-16} \text{ cm/s}^2$$

First of all: what's **Coherent Elastic ν -Nucleous Scattering**?

elastic scattering where ν interacts with **nucleous "as a whole"**



Predicted for $|\vec{q}|R \lesssim 1$
by [Freedman, PRD 1974]

small recoil energies! $\lesssim 10$ keV...
difficult to measure

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT}(E_\nu, T) \sim \frac{G_F^2 M}{4\pi} N^2$$

[Drukier, Stodolsky, PRD 1984]

enhancement N^2 because
 ν interacts
coherently with all nucleons

may give huge cross
section enhancement

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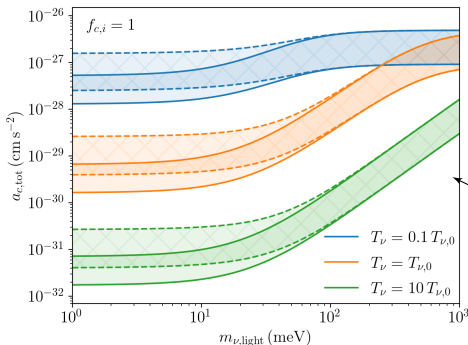
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Can we detect relic neutrinos with CE ν NS?

relic neutrinos have **de Broglie length** $\lambda \sim 2\pi/p_\nu$



enhancement in interactions due to **coherence** with nuclei in volume λ^3



Acceleration induced by CE ν NS of relic ν on test mass M :

$$a^N \propto ((A - Z)/A)^2 E_\nu / p_\nu^2 \Delta p_\nu n_\nu \rho$$

- A, Z mass, atomic numbers
- p_ν, E_ν neutrino momentum and energy
- Δp_ν net momentum transfer
- n_ν neutrino number density
- ρ target mass density

unclustered relic ν s, $n_\nu = n_0$
 a^N of atoms in silicon target

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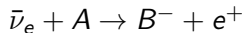


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[Cocco et al., 2009]

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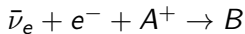
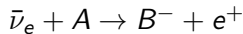


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process useful only “if specific conditions on the Q -value are met
or significant improvements on ion storage rings are achieved”

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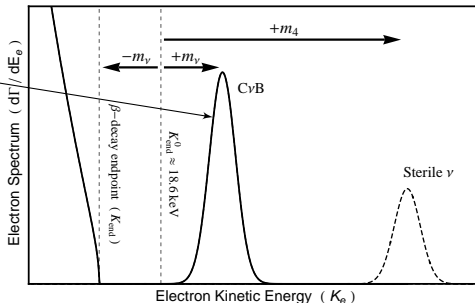
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[Weinberg, 1962]: neutrino capture in β -decaying nuclei $\nu + n \rightarrow p + e^-$

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

signal is a peak at $2m_\nu$ above β -decay endpoint

only with a lot of material
need a very good energy resolution



best element has highest $\sigma_{\text{NCB}}(v_\nu/c) \cdot t_{1/2}$

to minimize contamination from β decay background

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³H better because the cross section (\rightarrow event rate) is higher

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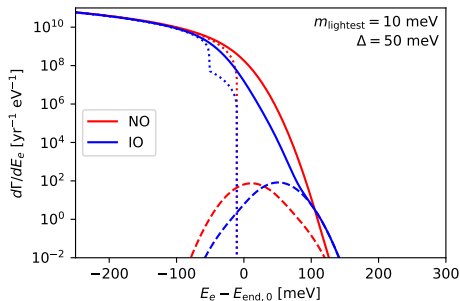
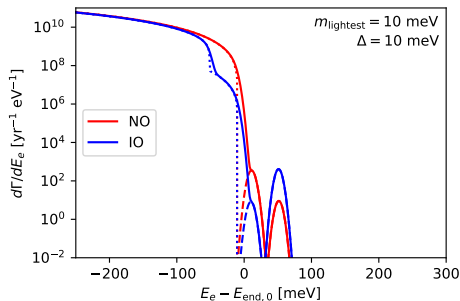
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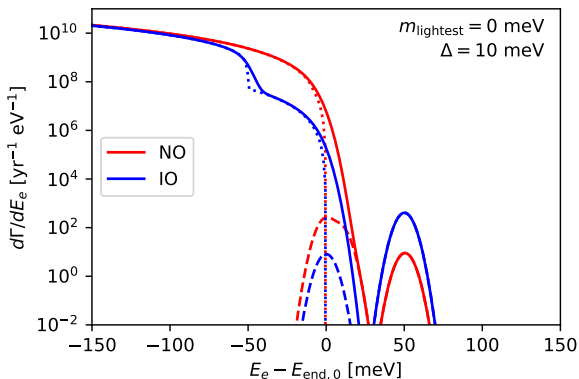


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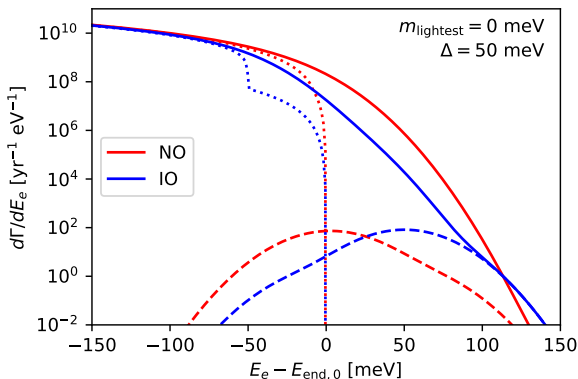


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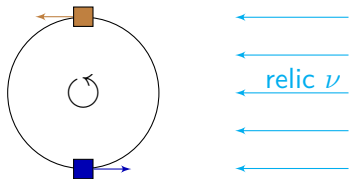


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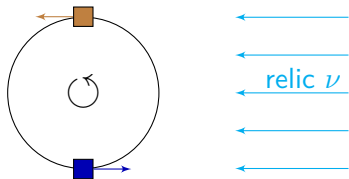
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Problem:

Expected **daily modulation**
is $\sim 1\%$ of the signal!!

Must use powerful technique
for signal/noise separation

**Fourier analysis and frequency
filtering may be sufficient**

no m_{ν} information in this way!

Pontecorvo Tritium Observatory for Light, Early-universe, Massive-neutrino Yield (PTOLEMY)

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enhancement from
 ν clustering in the galaxy?

enhancement from
 other effects?

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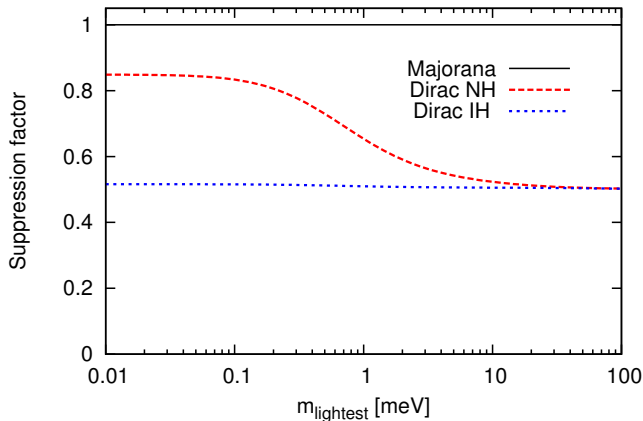
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direct detection through $\nu_e + {}^3\text{H} \rightarrow e^- + {}^3\text{He}$

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



Dirac **normal**
or **inverted**
ordering differ
because lighter
 ν_1 and ν_2 in **NH**
are **relativistic**
↓
almost
indistinguishable
from **Majorana**

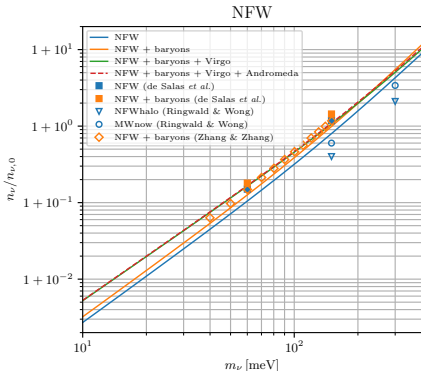
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Relic neutrino clustering

What about the local relic density of the CNB?

Based on:

- JCAP 09 (2017) 034
- JCAP 01 (2020) 015



ν clustering with N-one-body simulations

Milky Way (MW) matter attracts neutrinos!

clustering \rightarrow
$$\Gamma_{\text{CNB}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 f_c(m_i) [n_{i,0}(\nu_{h_R}) + n_{i,0}(\nu_{h_L})] N_T \bar{\sigma}$$

$f_c(m_i) = n_i/n_{i,0}$ clustering factor \rightarrow How to compute it?

Idea from [Ringwald & Wong, 2004] \rightarrow **N-one-body** = $N \times$ single ν simulations

\rightarrow each ν evolved from initial conditions at $z = 3$

\rightarrow spherical symmetry, coordinates (r, θ, p_r, l)

\rightarrow need $\rho_{\text{matter}}(z) = \rho_{\text{DM}}(z) + \rho_{\text{baryon}}(z)$

Assumptions:

ν s are independent

only gravitational interactions

ν s do not influence matter evolution

$(\rho_\nu \ll \rho_{\text{DM}})$

how many ν s is "N"?

\rightarrow must sample all possible r, p_r, l

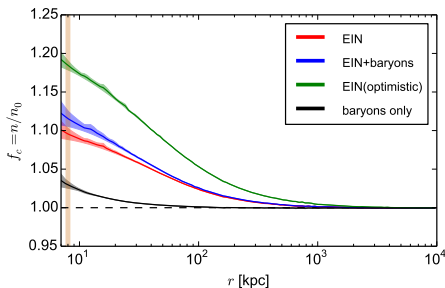
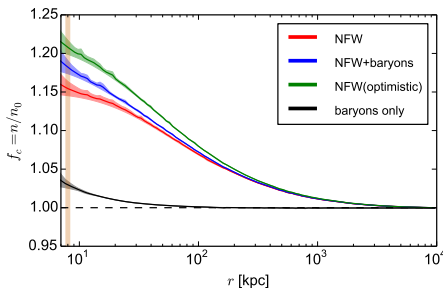
\rightarrow must include all possible ν s that reach the MW

(fastest ones may come from
several (up to $\mathcal{O}(100)$) Mpc!)

given N ν :

\rightarrow weigh each neutrinos

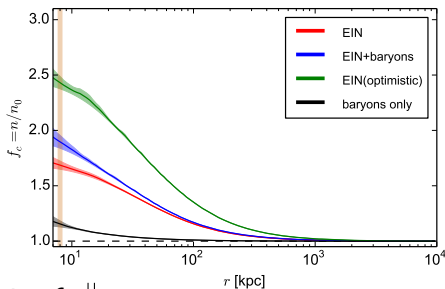
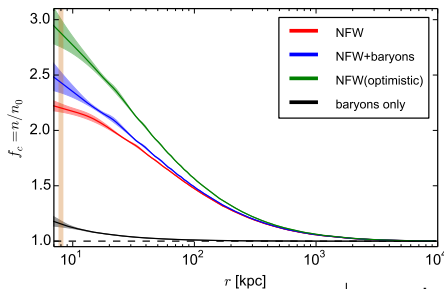
\rightarrow reconstruct final density profile with kernel method from [Merritt & Tremblay, 1994]



| masses | ordering | matter halo | overdensity f_c | | $\Gamma_{\text{tot}} \text{ (yr}^{-1}\text{)}$ |
|---------------------------|----------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------|
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| any | any | any | no clustering | | 4.06 |
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ordering dependence from $\Gamma_{\text{CNB}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 f_i [n_i(\nu_{hR}) + n_i(\nu_{hL})] N_T \bar{\sigma}$

\Rightarrow minimal mass detectable by PTOLEMY if $\Delta \simeq 100\text{--}150$ meV



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

Assumptions and useful equations

We assume possible
incomplete thermalization

(due to some
unknown new physics)

$$f_4(p) = \frac{\Delta N_{\text{eff}}}{e^{p/T_\nu} + 1} = \Delta N_{\text{eff}} f_{\text{active}}(p)$$

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = \left[\frac{1}{\pi^2} \int dp p^3 f_4(p) \right] / \left[\frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{15} T_\nu^4 \right]$$

$$\bar{n}_4 = \frac{g_4}{(2\pi)^3} \int f_4(p) p^2 dp = n_0 \Delta N_{\text{eff}}$$

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($f_c(m_4)$ is independent of ΔN_{eff})

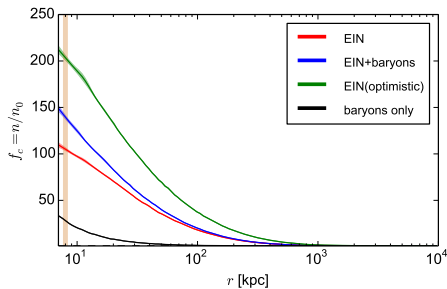
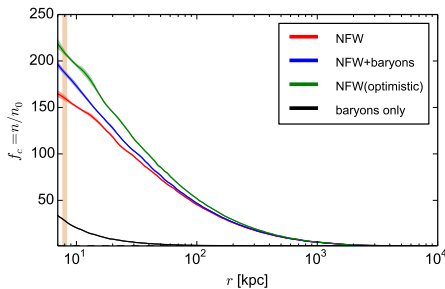
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(from global fit [SG+, 2017]: $m_4 \simeq 1.3$ eV, $|U_{e4}|^2 \simeq 0.02$)

Overdensity of a sterile neutrino

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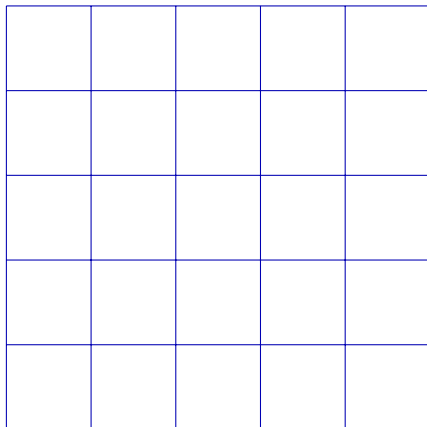
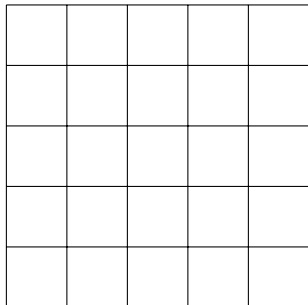
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|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
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| | | 1.0 | 13.0 (15.2) |
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| | | 1.0 | 16.9 |
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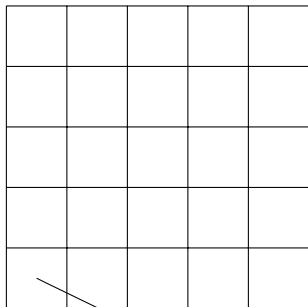
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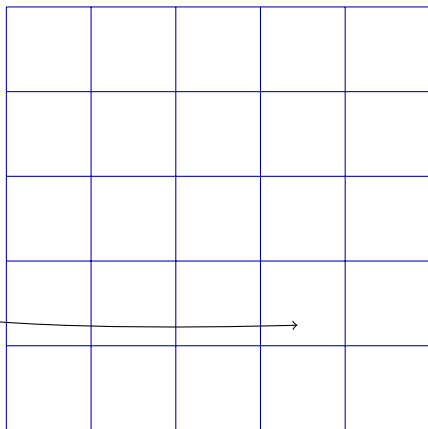
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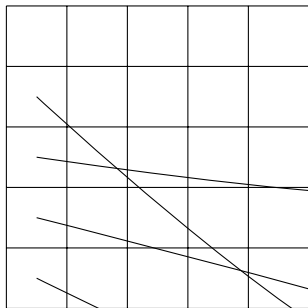
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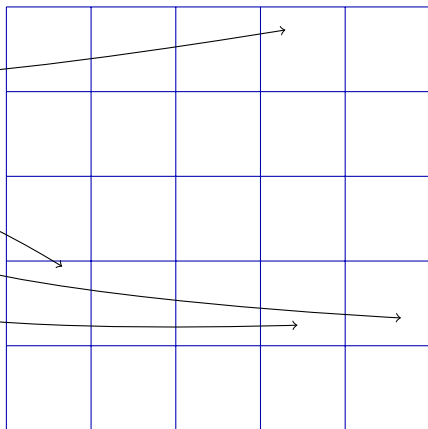
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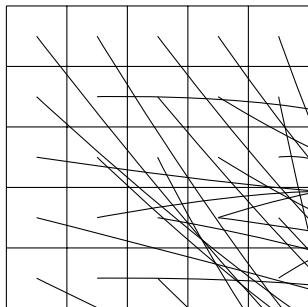
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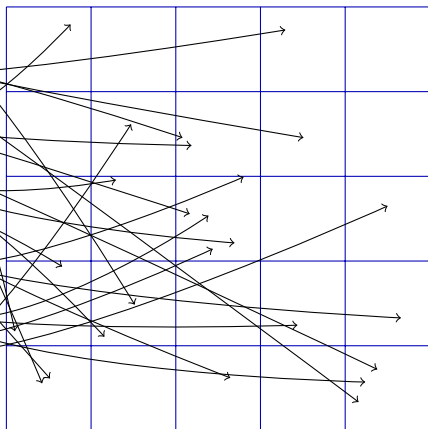
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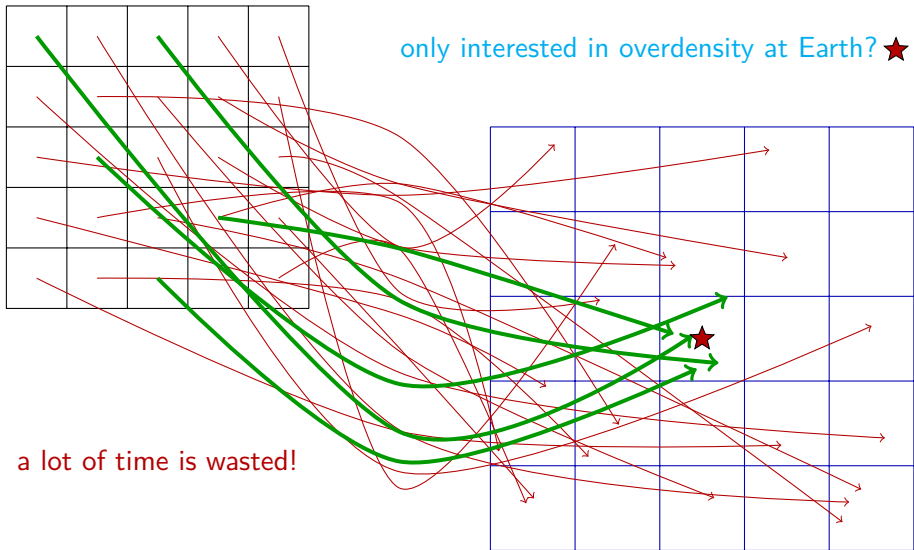
use positions to find neutrino distribution today



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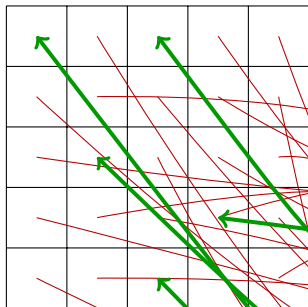
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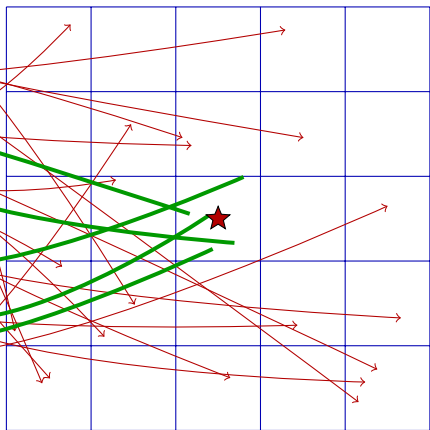
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only interested in overdensity at Earth? ★



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smarter way: track backwards
only interesting particles!

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

with full grid would re-
 quire 3+3 dimensions!

Impossible to relax
 spherical symmetry!

Back-tracking

“Initial” conditions only described
 by 3D in momentum

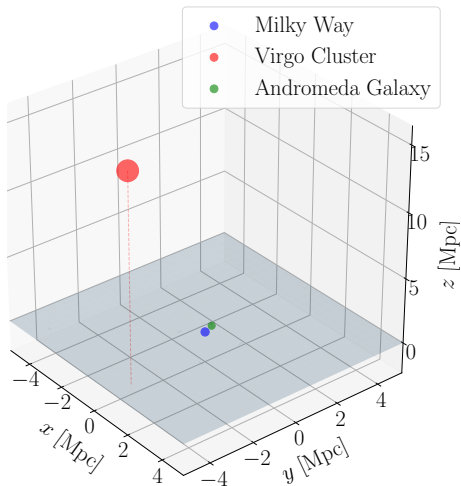
(position is fixed, apart for checks)

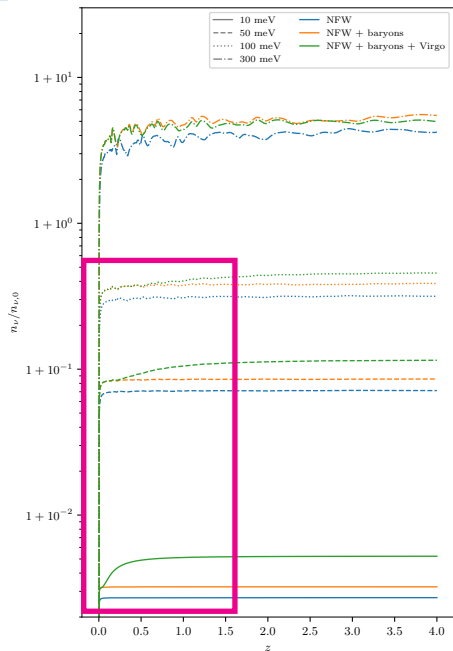
can do the calculation with
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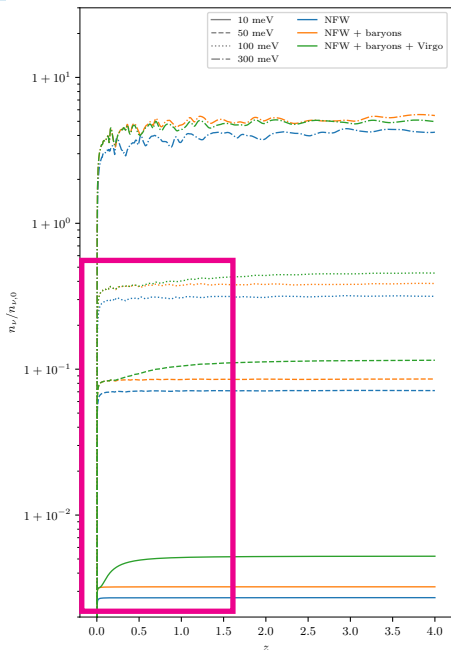
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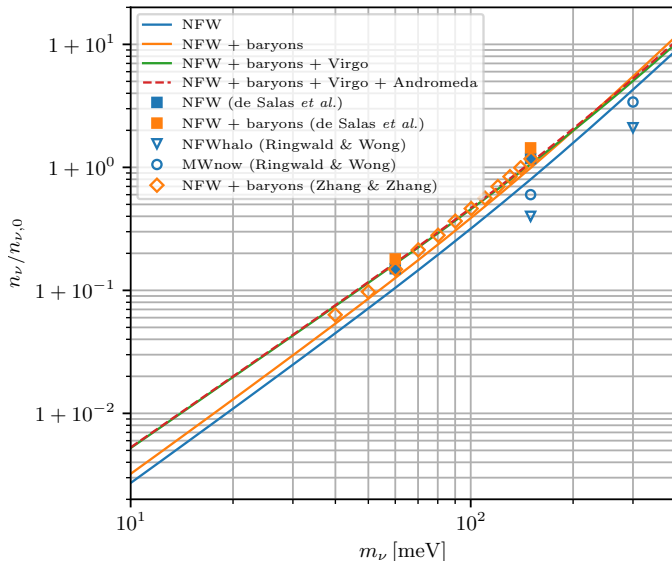
for $m \gtrsim 0.3$ eV,
trapped orbits
already at $z = 4$!

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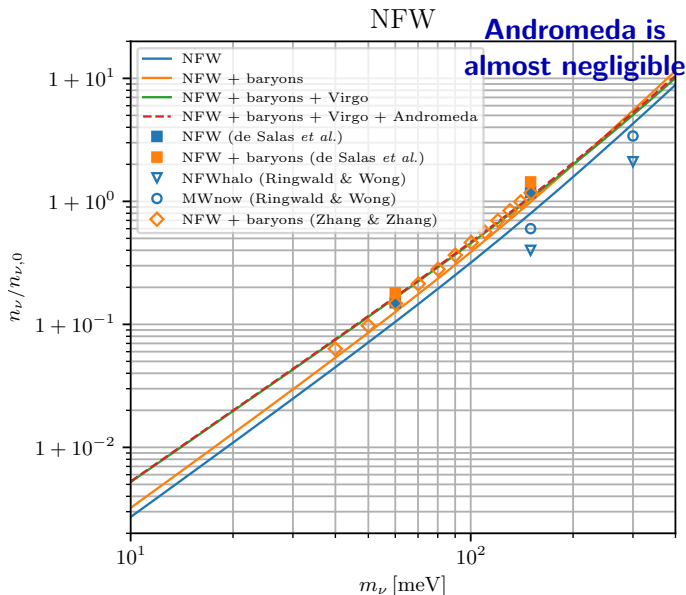
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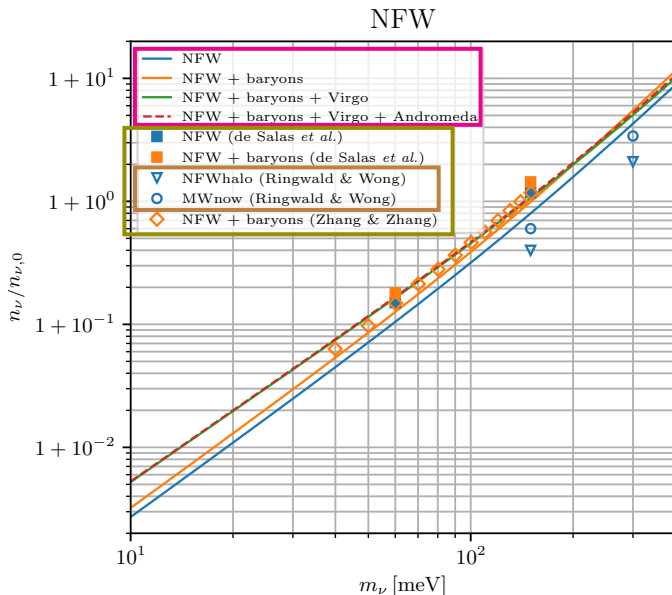
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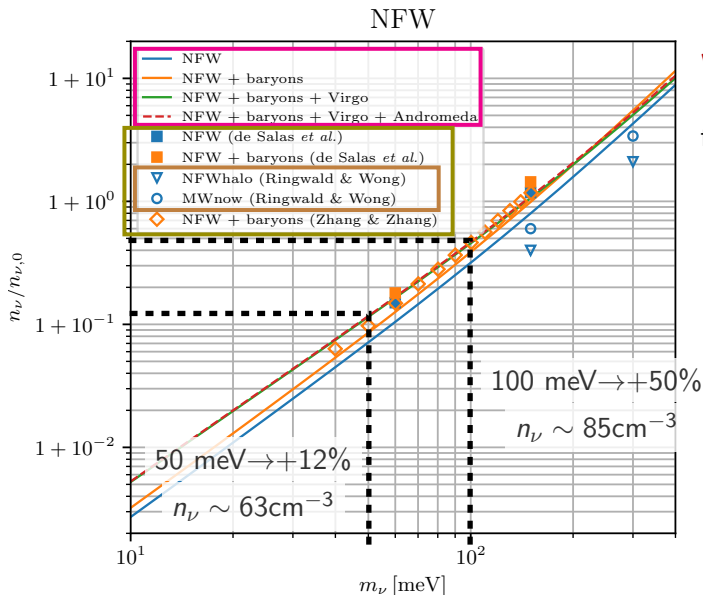
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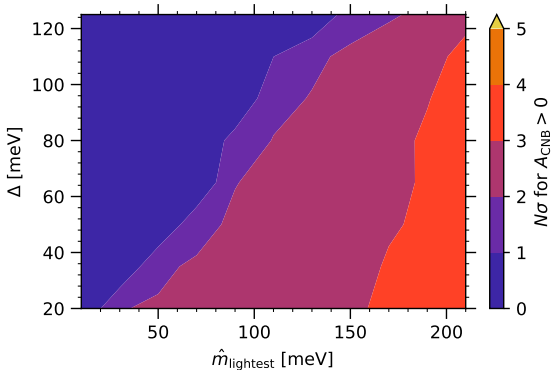
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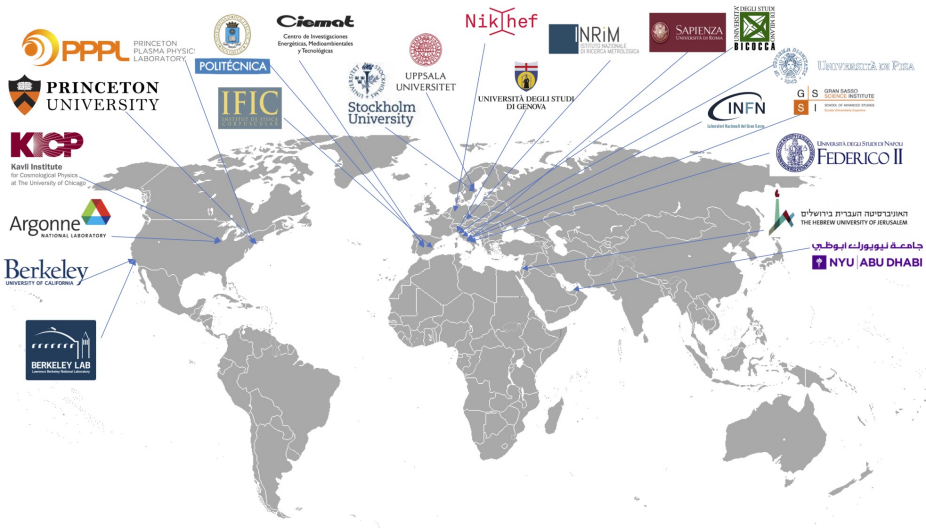
Short description of the experiment
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Based on:

- PTOLEMY LoI,
arxiv:1808.01892
- PTOLEMY,
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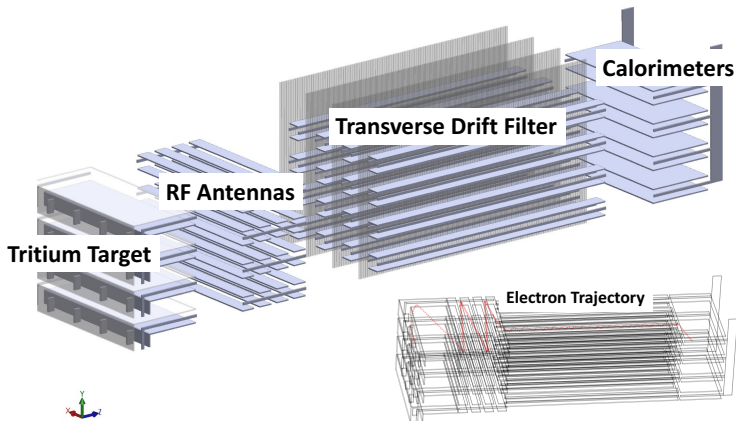


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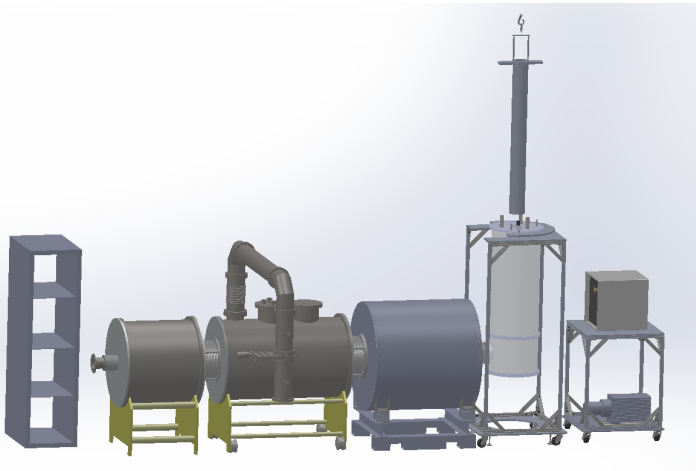


[PTOLEMY, PNP 106 (2019) 120]

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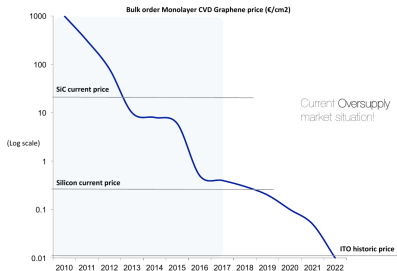
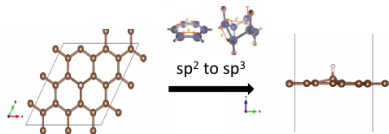
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layers

Graphene layers are cheap
(commercial use in displays)

hydrogenation under study
at Princeton



[courtesy A.Zurutuza (Graphenea)]

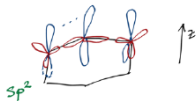
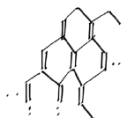
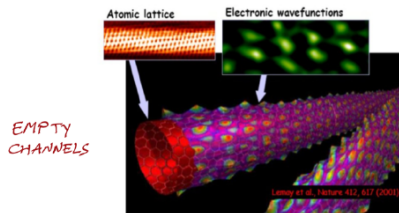
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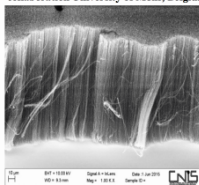
CNT Target



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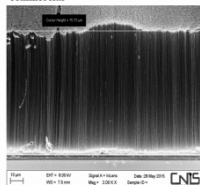
[courtesy G. Cavoto]

collaboration University of Mons, Belgium



length: $100 \mu\text{m}$ (can be increased)
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commercial



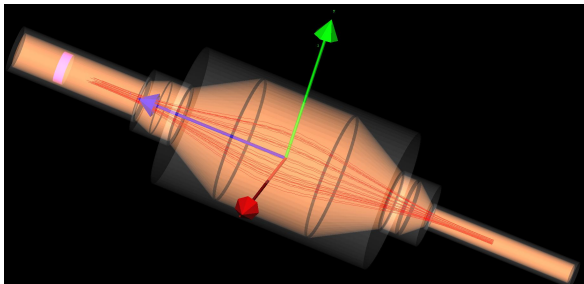
length: $75 \mu\text{m}$
ext. diameter: $(13 \pm 4) \text{ nm}$
aspect ratio: 0.6×10^4

first energy determination with

RadioFrequency trigger, using
Cyclotron Radiation Emission Spectroscopy (CRES)

see also [Project 8, JPG 44 (2017) 054004]

can RF antenna be integrated in the MAC-E filter?



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Microcalorimetry with **T**ransition-**E**dge **S**ensors

TES: “A microcalorimeter
made by a superconducting film
operated in the temperature region
between the normal and the superconducting state”

↙
difficult readout

↘
difficult temperature control

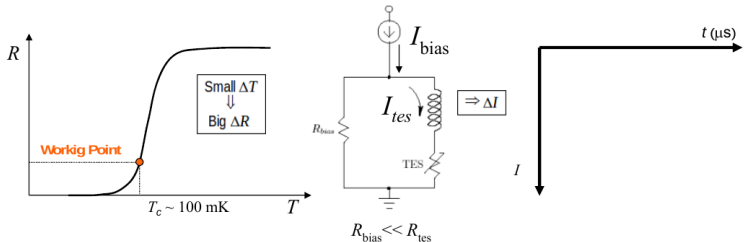
Same technology as in HOLMES experiment (ν masses)

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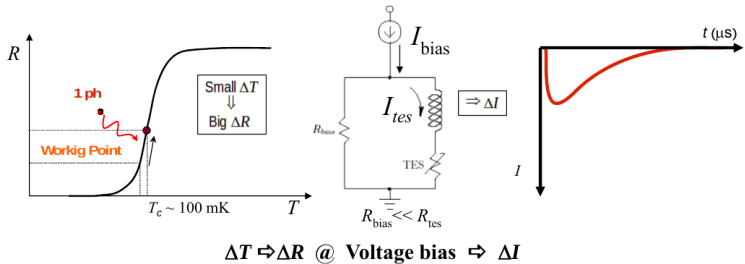


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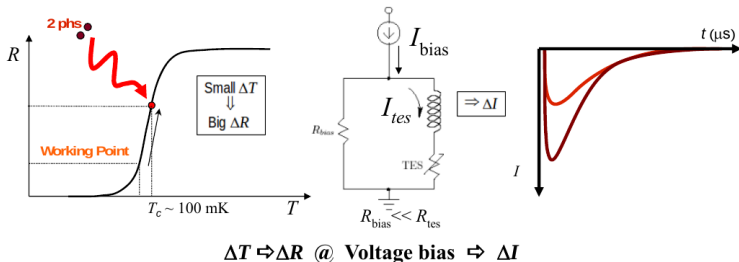


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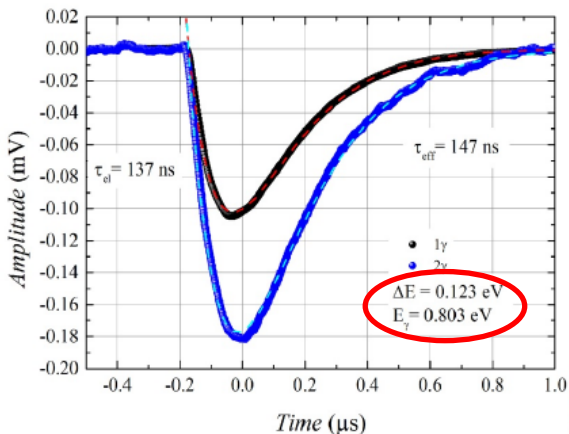


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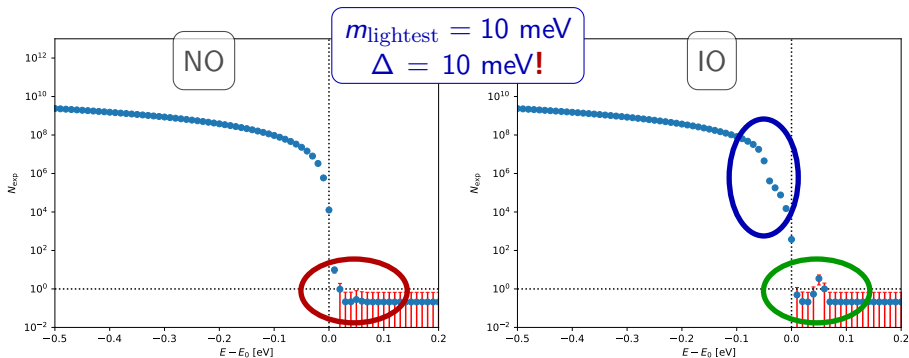
fit \longrightarrow

$$\chi^2(\theta) = \sum_i \left(\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^i(\hat{E}_{\text{end}}, \hat{m}_i, \hat{U}) - N_{\text{th}}^i(\theta)}{\sqrt{N_t^i}} \right)^2$$

$$\text{or } \log \mathcal{L} = -\frac{\chi^2}{2}$$

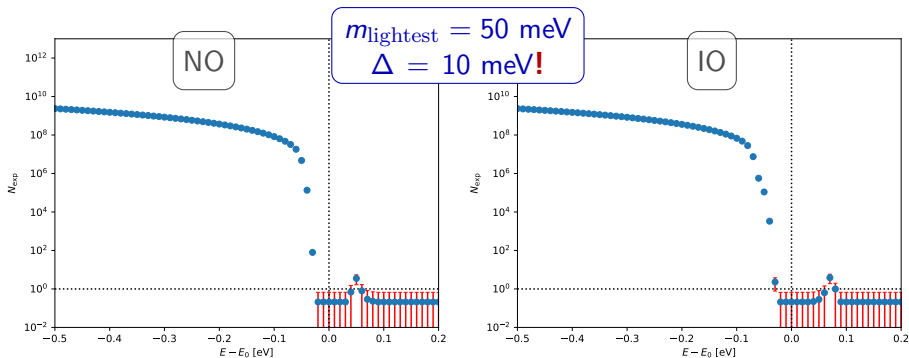
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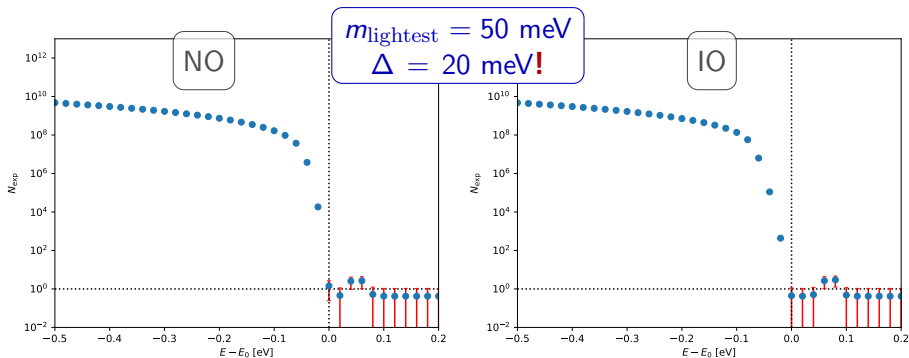
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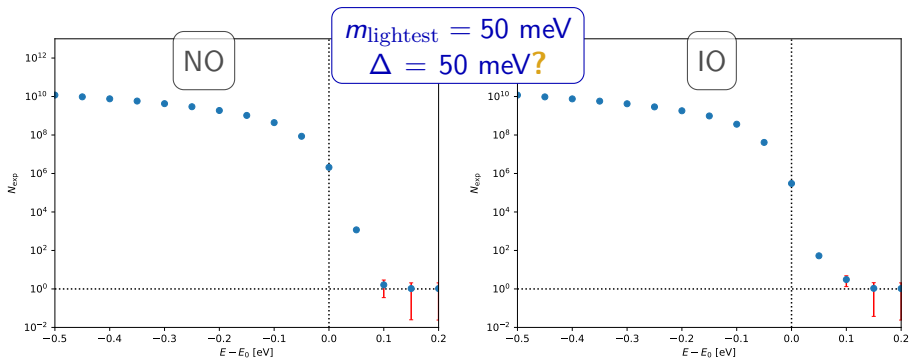
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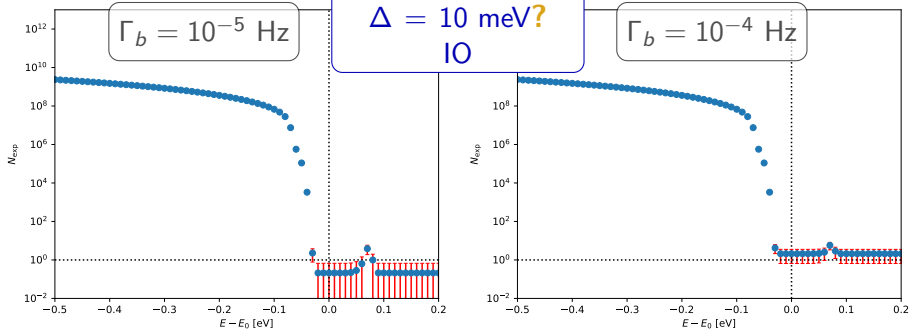
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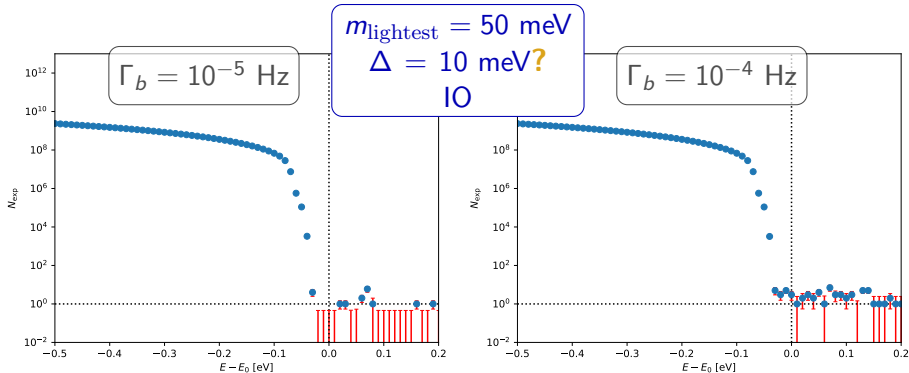
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$m_{\text{lightest}} = 50 \text{ meV}$
 $\Delta = 10 \text{ meV?}$
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things are more complicated in this way...low background needed!

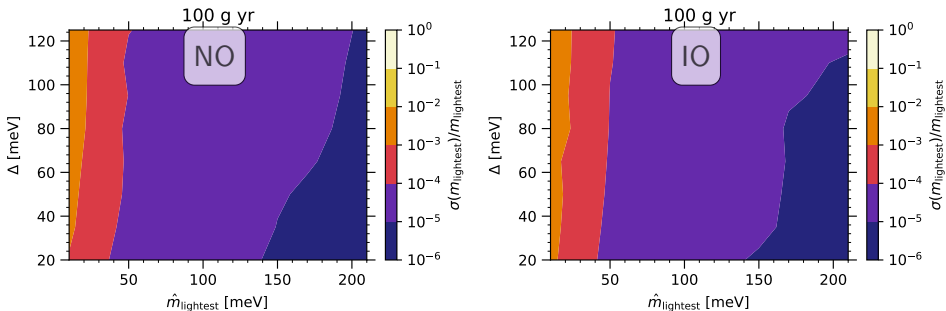
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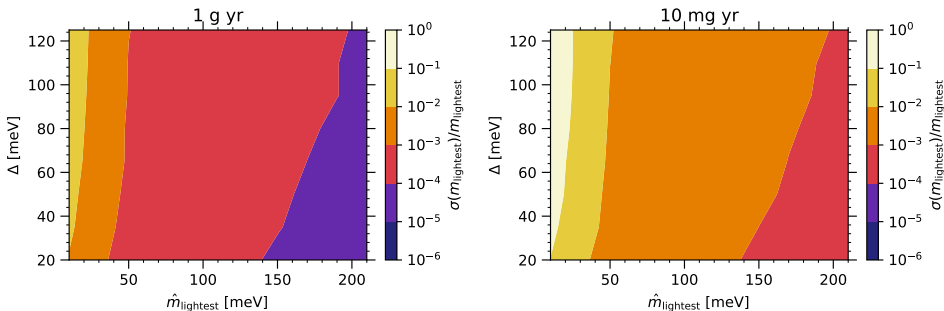


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(well, yes, with 100 g of tritium...)

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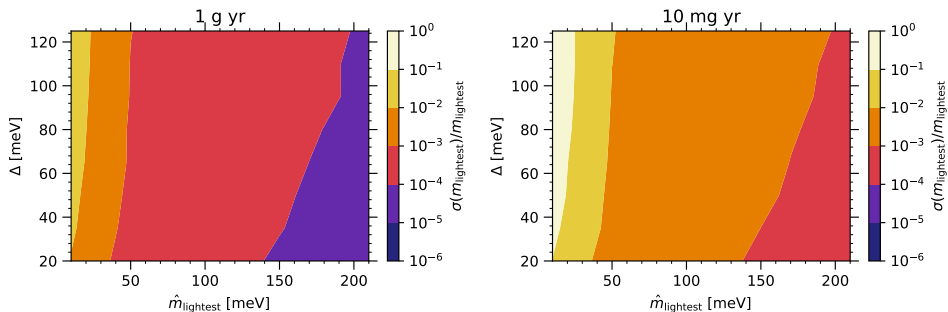


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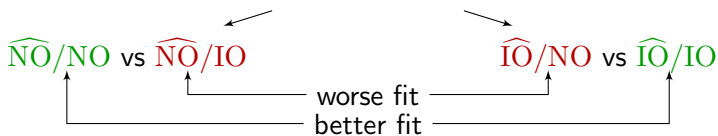
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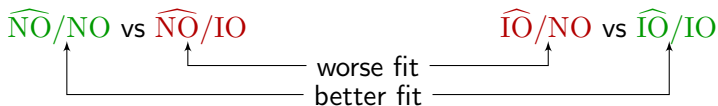
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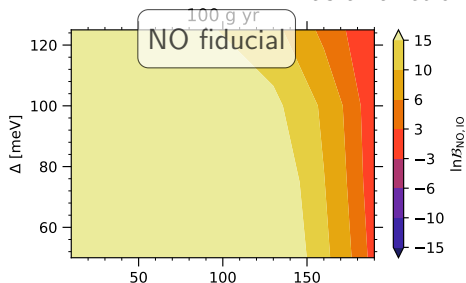
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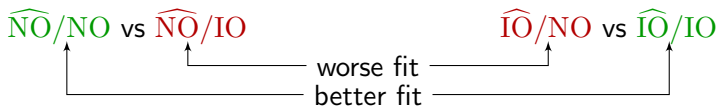


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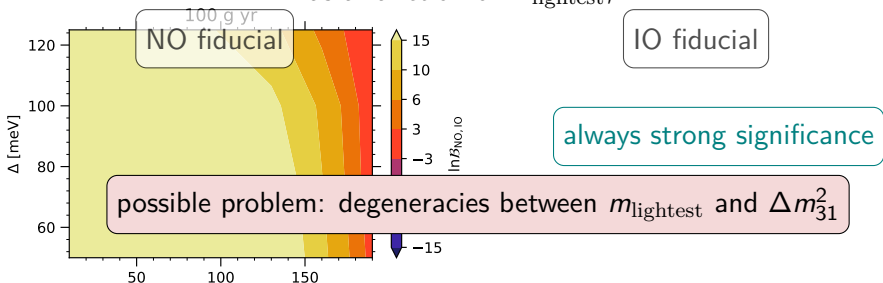
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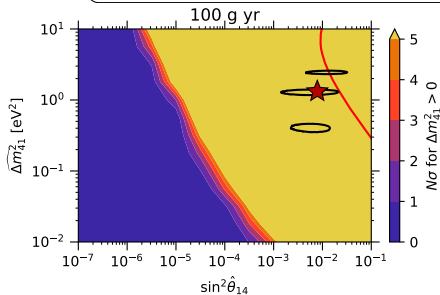
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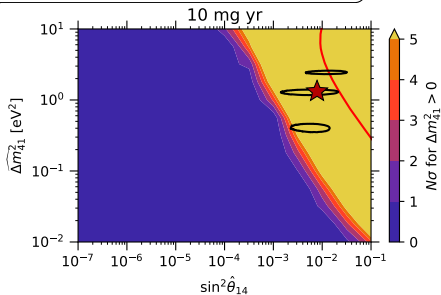
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black: DANSS+NEOS 3σ (2018)



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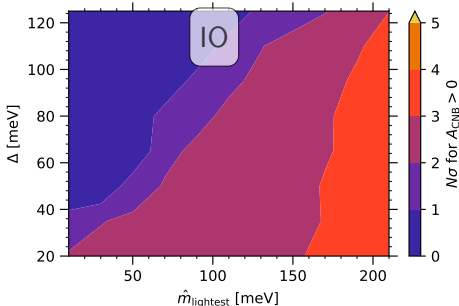
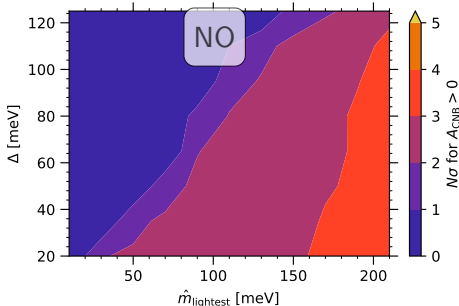
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if $\mathbf{A}_{\text{CNB}} > 0$ at $N\sigma$, direct detection of CNB accomplished at $N\sigma$

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significance on $A_{\text{CNB}} > 0$
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PTOLEMY can do interesting physics even with **a small amount of Tritium**

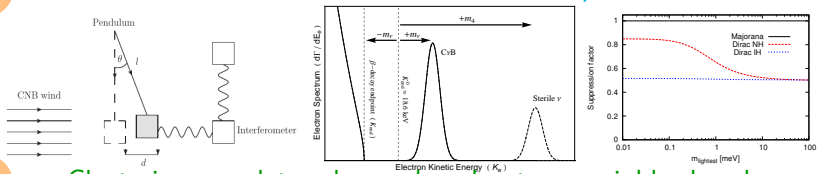
| given T mass: | 10 mg | 1 g | 100 g |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
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| (eV) sterile neutrino? | ✓ ($\sim 5\sigma$) | ✓ ($\gg 5\sigma$) | ✓ ($\gg 5\sigma$) |
| mass ordering? | ? (not studied yet) | ? (not studied yet) | ✓ |
| direct detection? | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ (favorable m_ν) |

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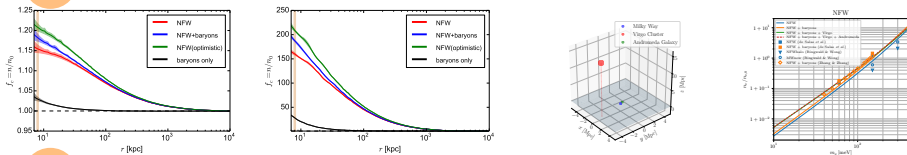
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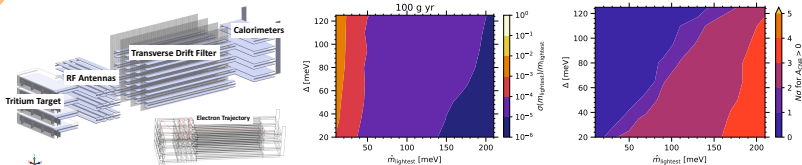
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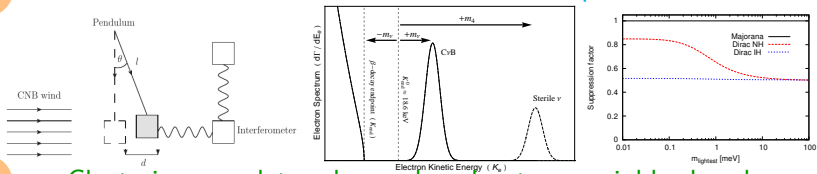
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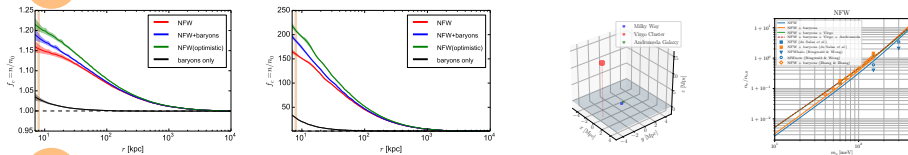
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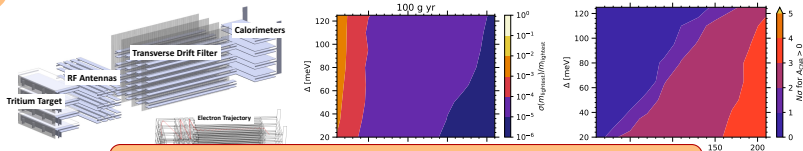
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