Detection of Supernova Neutrinos in DUNE



Determining detector requirements for SNB physics

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Multi-kiloton detector technologies

Water Cherenkov

Liquid Argon





Cheap material, huge statistics







Liquid Scintillator





Low energy threshold, high resolution @ low energy

Two models (11.2 and 27.0 solar masses, NH/IH for former)



Signal energies and expected rates in LAr

Signal	Energy range	Expected Signal Rate per kton of LAr (yr ⁻¹ kton ⁻¹)
Proton decay	~ GeV	< 0.06
Atmospheric neutrinos	0.1-100 GeV	~120
Supernova burst neutrinos	few-50 MeV	~100 @ 10 kpc over ~30 secs
Solar neutrinos	few-15 MeV	1300
Supernova relic neutrinos	20-50 MeV	< 0.06

No handy beam trigger, so vulnerable to background, and require attention to triggering

Mean rate vs event energy



^{* @1} kpc, 30 s (not steady-state rate)

GeV-scale events: handsome and distinctive



* @1 kpc, 30 s

Few tens of MeV-scale events: crummy little stubs



* @1 kpc, 30 s

Current key tasks of the DUNE SNB/LE group

What are the detector requirements?

Ines has covered low-energy capabilities

We would like to tie the low-energy requirements to physics signatures

... what resolutions, efficiencies are needed, to drive detector design?

(a potentially sprawling task... need to identify **robust signatures**...)

The "ideal" way to determine requirements

full simulation with different detector parameters + full analysis chain



Use SNOwGLoBES as fast tool flux \otimes xscn \otimes detector response





Some studies for SNB requirements can be done using broad-brush information,

e.g., general requirements on DAQ



How often do core collapse supernovae happen?



Looking beyond: number of sources α D³



S. Ando et al. astro-ph/0503321

Typical distance from us: ~10-15 kpc

(10 kpc is "standard distance")



Mirizzi, Raffelt and Serpico , astro-ph/0604300

Events vs distance $(\alpha \ 1/R^2)$

- band represents range of models (factor of ~10 in rate)
- solid line: "Garching" model



How are these events distributed in time? Maximum rate?



Redone as rate profile (same "Garching" model, 10 kpc)



How long is the burst? How long to make the burst time window to keep all interesting information?



Answer: don't really know! Models go out to ~10 seconds (only a few that far)
Good to keep information as long as possible for proto-nstar cooling information, other physics signatures

What do events look like?

Energy spectrum





This assumes final state energy is fully collected, which is probably a poor approximation for CC events (some γ energy may be collected but for CC events, n, p energy may not be observed)

Will there be spatial overlap during the drift time?

Back of the envelope:

- Typical event size: cube
 ~few 10's of cm on a side,
 say ~1 m³ per event
- 40 kton is $3 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^3 \text{ of LAr}$



- In highest rate drift window during neutronization burst ~10⁶ events would mean
- $10^6 / 3 \times 10^4 \sim 33$ events per m³ at 0.1 kpc (crowded!)
- **0.3 events per m³** at 1 kpc (minor overlap)
- **0.003 events per m³** at 10 kpc (minimal overlap)

Pileup only a serious problem in ~Betelgeuse case

(for cooler model + osc suppression, down by factor of ~10)

SNB considerations for DAQ

If we plan for 0.1 kpc: could have 5 x 10⁷ total events, possibly ~10⁶ in one drift time window

Excitement happens within 10 secs, but should plan for as long a window as tolerable

Spatial overlap becomes an issue < 1 kpc only during highest-rate neutronization burst time bin

Should plan for ~5 MeV events (lower if possible!)

Backgrounds the main issue to understand since resources to handle steady-state background will constrain DAQ capabilities for signal

Triggering and data taking opportunities for SN in current design

Important: this current design can change after our discussion – we have tried to be as flexible as possible, but will certainly think again if this falls short.

- Trigger primitives (a.k.a. Zero suppressed hits) collected in trigger-farm computer. Can be stored in long-term storage. Suitable for making searches for supernova activity coincident with some external event reported hours or days after the data are collected.
- Trigger based on the trigger primitives sent back to full-data-buffers, can contain location and trigger type information. So it is possible to design an algorithm where we pick up low energy depositions around the thing that triggered. Constrained by bandwidth budget.
- The supernova-burst trigger: This also uses the trigger primitives and the trigger farm. It is designed to detect neutrinos from a supernova burst in our galaxy and allow the maximum info to be saved over the 10 sec window. Also want to minimize the dead-time for being receptive to such events.

One dead-time minimization technique is to make the DAQ in the four caverns independent.



Backgrounds

This is the most important and least well known, and obviously will constrain what we can do... determines distance reach

Sources:

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Radiologicals... ³⁹Ar, ... Cosmogenics: muons, spallation products Noise More fine-grained expectations required to understand other detector requirements (energy, time, angular resolution...)



Example study (an anecdote):

A. Friedland, H. Duan, JJ Cherry, KS

1-sec integrated spectra in 34-kton LAr, few sec apart for 10-kpc SN, NMH



MH-dependent "non-thermal" features clearly visible as shock sweeps through the supernova

In this case, using standard SNOwGLoBES: Icarus resolution, assume all gamma energy retrieved (and no energy lost via nucleon emission! probably poor assumption...)



Adding statistics (supernova 10 kpc away)



Adding statistics (supernova 1 kpc away)



Conclusion: this shock feature observability is statistics-limited for much of the Galaxy, but if we have a close supernova, we'll be sorry (of course, it's a judgment call how much to spend for a rare case..)



Another anecdote: what time resolution is required?



L. Hudepohl, B. Muller, H.-T. Janka, A. Marek, and G. Raffelt, "Neutrino Signal of Electron-Capture Supernovae from Core Collapse to Cooling," Phys.Rev.Lett. 104 (2010) 251101, arXiv:0912.0260 [astro-ph.SR]



Need <~ ms resolution to observe the notch.. but also require large statistics

And another anecdote:



Average v_e energy from fit to "pinched thermal", 34-kton LAr @ 10 kpc, including collective oscillations \rightarrow clearly, there's information in the spectral evolution More, more fine-grained and robust, signatures needed...



http://stanford.edu/~alexfr/SN4DUNE/Nov2015/SN_theory_for_DUNE.htm

Small theory meeting at SLAC November 2015

organized by Alex Friedland, Bob Svoboda

Physics drivers for requirements on energy, time, cross-section, etc.

Monday, November 23			
Session	Time	Discussion Lead	Co-Leads
Breakfast, informal discussion	8:45-9:15		
Introduction, experimental questions	9:15-10:00	<u>Svoboda, PPTX, 14 MB</u>	Himmel, Scholberg
Status of simulations	10:00-11:00	Ott, PDF, 8 MB	Messer, Kasen
Simulations and neutrino fluxes	11:00-noon	<u>Messer, PDF, 9 MB</u>	Ott, Kasen
Lunch	12:30-2:00		
Nuclear equation of state and neutrinos	2:00-3:00	Reddy, PDF, 5 MB	Fuller, Messer, Kasen, Ott
Nucleosynthesis and neutrino signal. Effect of sterile	3:00-4:00	Fuller	Friedland, Kasen, Ott
Diffuse SN background	4:00-5:00	<u>Lunardini, PPTX, 9 MB</u>	Friedland, Fuller, Duan, Shalgar
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The Whiteboard from the November Meeting



Observable Features/ Signatures

· w (shock, turbulence

Flux Files

Needed

Finding robust physics signatures for setting requirements

Underlying Physics

Neutrino Physics/Particle Physics:

Absolute neutrino mass Mass hierarchy Collective oscillations Spin flip Exotic particles Majorana vs Dirac Collective oscillations Sterile neutrinos Earth matter effect

Many topics!

Supernova Physics:

Presupernova evolution Progenitor structure Neutronization, trapping Shock waves, turbulence effects Supernova core type, core mass, EOS **Convective transport** Black hole formation Explosion Accretion to cooling transition SASL LESA Neutron star "tomography" Quark stars QCD phase transition Lepton number Post BH accretion

Other:

Nucleosynthesis

Observable Features

Note some of these may be correlated

Flux/fluence: spectra as a function of flavor/time (nue, nuebar, nux) Time profile of cooling (early vs late) Risetime Features of neutronization burst "Notch" Transition to black hole Transition to transparency SASI presence/frequency Second peak (QCD transition?)

Connect to multiple physics topics

Fluxes with signatures we need to evaluate

Presupernova Neutronization burst, w/ second peak/notch (and oscillations) Long time scale cooling With SASI and turbulent convection Black hole formation With shock wave, turbulence With collective effects With collective effects With different EOS With Earth matter modulation With QCD phase transition With nucleosynthesis effects/nuclear effects/sterile conversion With convective transport transition

What we hope theorists can provide

spectral/time evolution w/ physics signatures

Picking a few things from the smorgasbord...



- neutronization burst
- black hole formation
- cooling time scale

Take-Away Messages

- Specific detector requirements need to be defined for low-energy events in DUNE
- Need robust physics signatures to develop quantitative criteria
 - some requirements can be set based on broad-brush knowledge (e.g., trigger, DAQ)
 - have some anecdotal studies (useful but limited)
 - more still needed: "benchmark" fluxes desired
 - many sensitivities will be statistically limited
- Much more work still needed on experimental side
 - reconstruction algorithms, PID, generators
 - background studies
 - ...



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Extras/Backups

SNB Event Generators

NueCC event generator (by AJ Roeth, LBNE-doc-8225-v1)

- $v_e CC$ w/ deexcitation γ 's $\nu_e + {}^{40}Ar \rightarrow {}^{40}K^* + e^-$
- model deexcitations based on mirror-nucleus measurements
- integrated into LArSoft by G. Sinev NueAr40CCGenerator
- uses realistic SNB spectrum
- samples made for MC Challenge 5

MARLEY (Davis group)

- more sophisticated model taking into account nucleon emission
- generated samples posted

