



# Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter

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# Sterile neutrinos: NEW ingredients

One of the optional physics beyond the SM:

**sterile:** new fermions uncharged under the SM gauge group  
**neutrino:** explain observed oscillations by mixing with SM (active) neutrinos

Attractive features:

- possible to achieve within **renormalizable** theory
- only  $N = 2$  **Majorana** neutrinos needed
- **baryon asymmetry** via leptogenesis
- **dark matter** (with  $N \geq 3$  at least)
- **light(?) sterile neutrinos might be responsible for neutrino anomalies... ?**

Disappointing feature:

Major part of parameter space is **UNTESTABLE**

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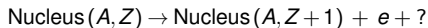
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# Introducing neutrinos



W. Pauli (1930)

- Conserves the energy (experimental positron spectrum is continuous !)



- Conserves the angular momentum (**fermions! spins!** Chemistry... **Pauli principle**)

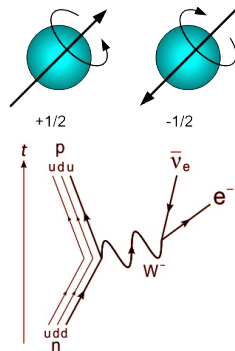
$$n \rightarrow p + e + \bar{\nu}_e$$

Spins:  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{2}$

- Conserves leptonic numbers  $L_e, L_\mu, L_\tau$

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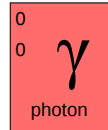
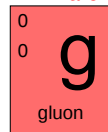




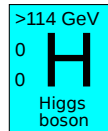
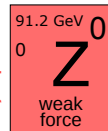
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| Leptons  |                                                                        |                                                                      |                                                                      |

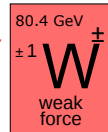
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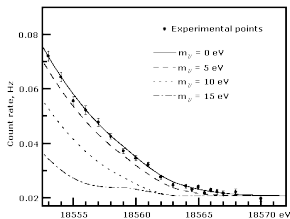
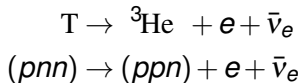
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$$m_H \approx 125 \text{ GeV}$$

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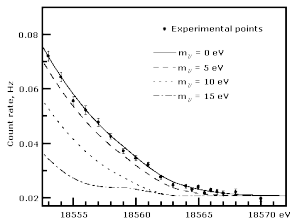
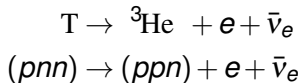


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Photons take a long and tortuous path

The Sun

200,000 years Photon  $\gamma$

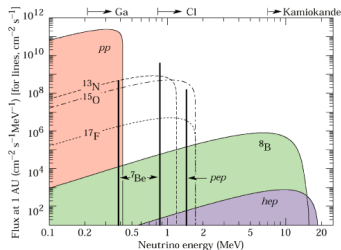
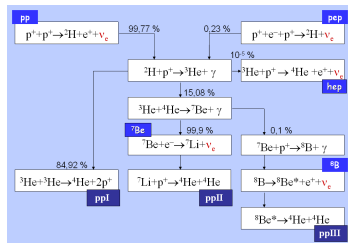
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Photosphere

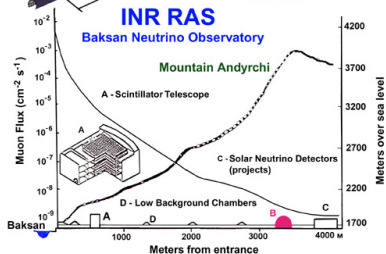
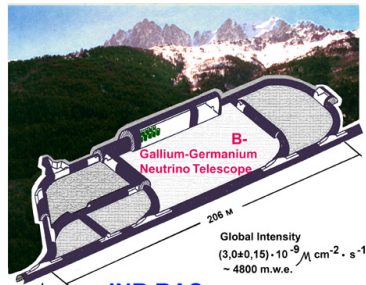
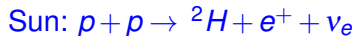
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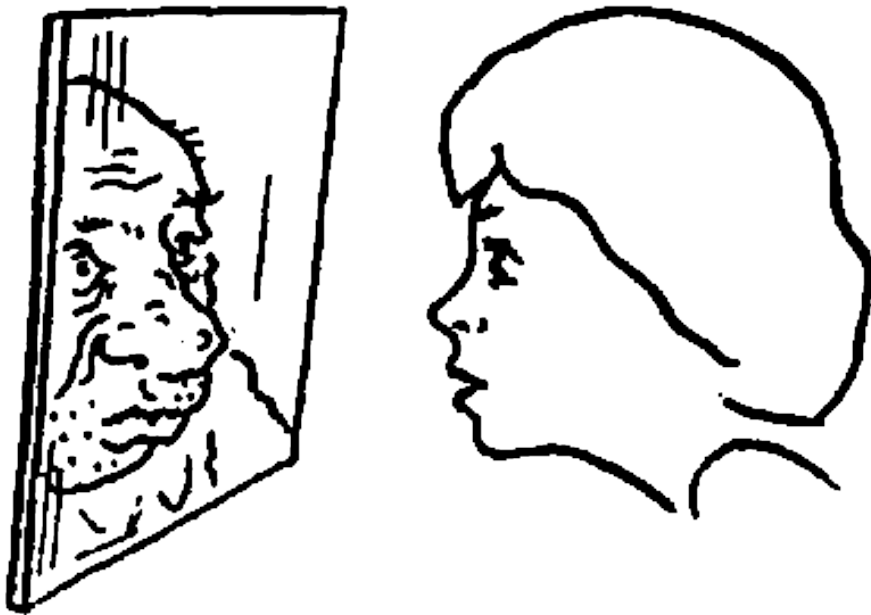
Neutrinos zip through quickly Neutrino  $\nu_e$

WUWT



# Measurement of the solar neutrino flux





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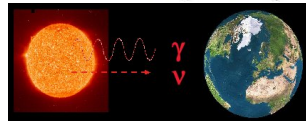
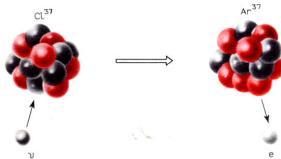
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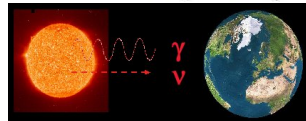
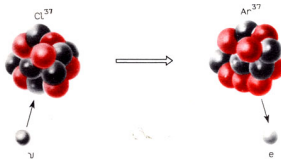
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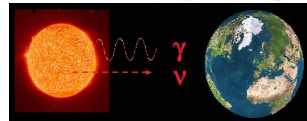
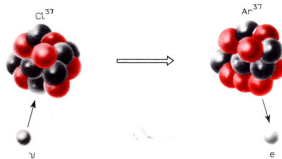
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# Description of neutrino oscillations (I)

- Two bases: gauge  $|\nu_\alpha\rangle$ ,  $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$  and mass  $|\nu_i\rangle$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$

$$|\nu_i\rangle = U_{\alpha i} |\nu_\alpha\rangle \quad \text{with unitary PMNS } 3 \times 3 \text{ matrix } U_{\alpha i}$$

- Neutrino mass matrix is then

$$M_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \nu_\alpha | M | \nu_\beta \rangle = (UM^{(m)}U^\dagger)_{\alpha\beta}, \quad \text{where } M_{ij}^{(m)} = m_i \delta_{ij}.$$

- Free neutrino evolution in time and space

$$|\nu_j(t)\rangle = e^{-im_j t} |\nu_j(0)\rangle \quad |\nu_j(t, L)\rangle = e^{-i(E_j t - p_j L)} |\nu_j(0)\rangle,$$

in ultrarelativistic case

$$p_j = \sqrt{E^2 - m_j^2} = E - m_j^2/2E \quad |\nu_j(L)\rangle = e^{-i \frac{m_j^2}{2E} L} |\nu_j(0)\rangle.$$

# Description of neutrino oscillations (II)

- Neutrino effective Hamiltonian

$$|v_j(L)\rangle = e^{-i \frac{m_j^2}{2E} L} |v_j(0)\rangle \rightarrow H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{M^2}{2E}$$

- Transition amplitude of neutrino  $\nu_\alpha$  to neutrino  $\nu_\beta$  is

$$A(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = \sum_j \langle \nu_\beta | v_j(L) \rangle \langle v_j(0) | \nu_\alpha \rangle = \sum_j \langle \nu_\beta | v_j \rangle e^{-i \frac{m_j^2}{2E} L} \langle v_j | \nu_\alpha \rangle = \sum_j U_{\beta j} e^{-i \frac{m_j^2}{2E} L} U_{\alpha j}^*$$

- and the transition probability

$$\Delta m_{ji}^2 \equiv m_j^2 - m_i^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) &= |A(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)|^2 \\ &= \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{j>i} \text{Re}[U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^*] \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{ji}^2}{4E} L \right) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{j>i} \text{Im}[U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^*] \sin \left( \frac{\Delta m_{ji}^2}{2E} L \right), \end{aligned}$$

# Description of neutrino oscillations (III)

- Two-neutrino oscillations: transition probability

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_{\beta \neq \alpha}) = \sin^2 2\theta \cdot \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2}{4E} L \right),$$

- Two-neutrino oscillations: survival probability

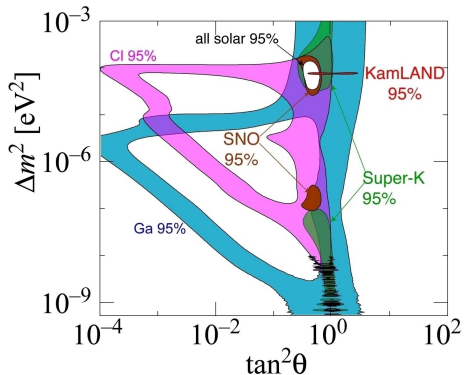
$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha) = 1 - \sin^2 2\theta \cdot \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2}{4E} L \right)$$

- Oscillation length

$$L_{osc} = \frac{4\pi E}{\Delta m^2} = (2.5 \text{ km}) \cdot \frac{E}{\text{GeV}} \frac{\text{eV}^2}{\Delta m^2}$$

# Neutrino oscillations: masses and mixing angles

## Solar $2 \times 2$ “subsector”

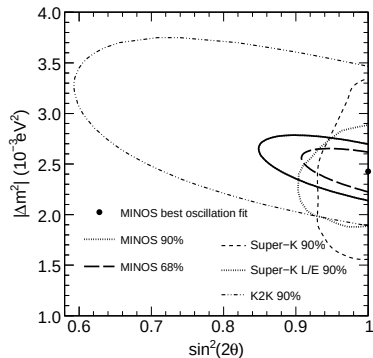


<http://hitoshi.berkeley.edu/neutrino/>

$$m_1 > 0.008 \text{ eV}$$

DAYA-BAY, RENO, T2K:  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \approx 0.08$

## Atmospheric $2 \times 2$ “subsector”



arXiv:0806.2237

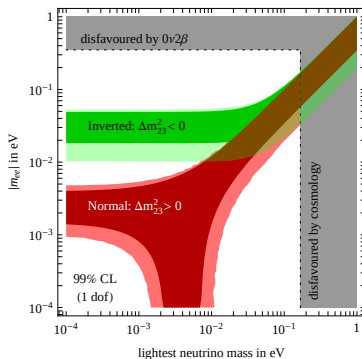
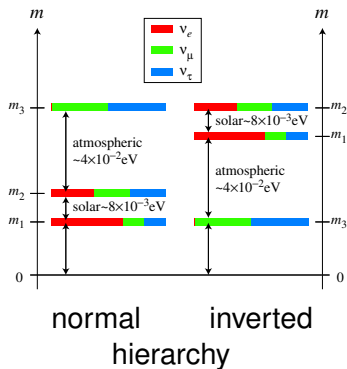
$$m_2 > 0.05 \text{ eV}$$

# Active neutrinos: normal and inverted hierarchy

Only mass squared are fixed, neutrino masses are model-dependent

to be determined by T2K&Novae

CP ??



$$|m_{ee}| = \left| \sum U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|, \text{ if Majorana masses } 1205.3867$$

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# Active neutrino masses without new fields

Dimension-5 operator

$$\Delta L = 2$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(5)} = \frac{\beta_L}{4\Lambda} F_{\alpha\beta} \bar{L}_\alpha \tilde{H} H^\dagger L_\beta^c + \text{h.c.}$$

$L_\alpha$  are SM leptonic doublets,  $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $\tilde{H}_a = \epsilon_{ab} H_b^*$ ,  $a, b = 1, 2$ ;

in a unitary gauge

$H^T = (0, (v+h)/\sqrt{2})$  and

$$\mathcal{L}_{\nu\nu}^{(5)} = \frac{\beta_L v^2}{4\Lambda} \frac{F_{\alpha\beta}}{2} \bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta^c + \text{h.c.}$$

hence

$$\Lambda \sim 3 \times 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \times \beta_L \times \left( \frac{3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}{\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

The model has to be UV-completed at the neutrino scale  $\Lambda_\nu < \Lambda$

What is beyond the neutrino scale  $\Lambda_\nu$  ?

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|          | $<0.0001$ eV $\sim 10$ keV<br>Left<br>$0$ <b><math>\nu_e</math></b><br>Right<br>electron neutrino | $\sim 0.01$ eV $\sim$ GeV<br>Left<br>$0$ <b><math>\nu_\mu</math></b><br>Right<br>muon neutrino | $\sim 0.04$ eV $\sim$ GeV<br>Left<br>$0$ <b><math>\nu_\tau</math></b><br>Right<br>tau neutrino |
|          | <b><math>N_1</math></b><br>sterile neutrino                                                       | <b><math>N_2</math></b><br>sterile neutrino                                                    | <b><math>N_3</math></b><br>sterile neutrino                                                    |
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## Bosons (Forces) spin 1

|                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 0<br>0<br><b>g</b><br>gluon                                    |
| 0<br>0<br><b><math>\gamma</math></b><br>photon                 |
| 91.2 GeV<br>0<br><b><math>Z^0</math></b><br>weak force         |
| 80.4 GeV<br>$\pm 1$<br><b><math>W^\pm</math></b><br>weak force |

|                                                 |
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| $>114$ GeV<br>0<br>0<br><b>H</b><br>Higgs boson |
|-------------------------------------------------|

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1 CP-phase: oscillation experiments

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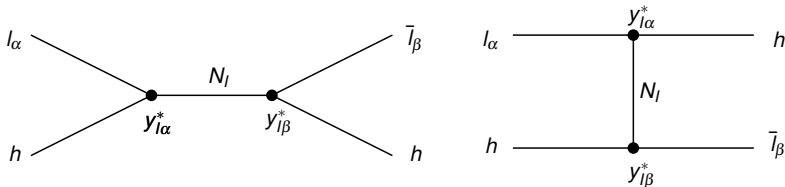
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# Producing the effective dim-5 operator at $M_N \rightarrow \infty$

i.e., integrating out the Heavy Sterile neutrinos



thus we obtain

$$\propto \frac{y^2}{M_N} l h l h \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{(LH)(LH)}{\Lambda}$$

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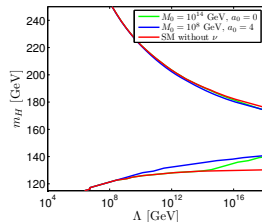
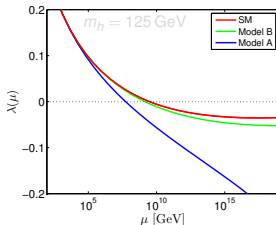
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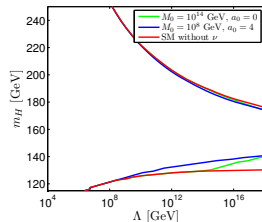
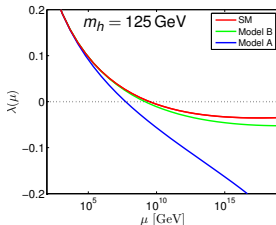
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SM Higgs without NP at EW-scale favors sterile neutrinos at EW-scale (or below) !

- Majorana mass violates scale-invariance  $\implies$  finite corrections  $\delta m_h^2 \propto f^2 M_N^2$
- Scale invariance helps to abandon infinite corrections  $\delta m_h^2 \propto f^2 \Lambda^2 M_N^2$
- In SM scale invariance is broken by the Higgs mass and running of coupling constants  $T_\mu^\mu \propto \beta(\alpha) \times \hat{O} + (m_h^2 + \alpha \Lambda^2) \times h^2 \implies$  quadratic divergences are irrelevant

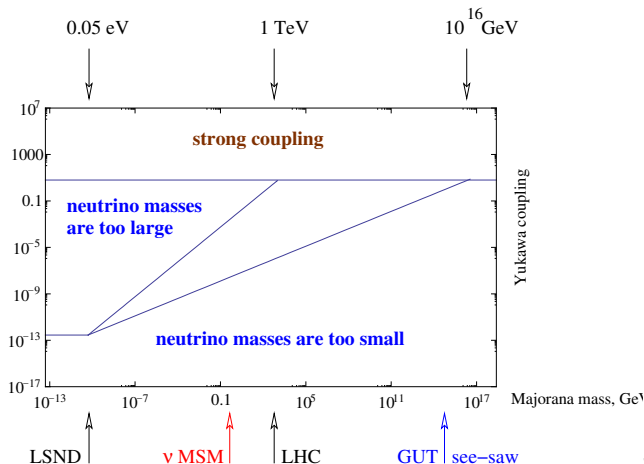
W.Bardeen (1995)

# Sterile neutrino mass scale: $\hat{M}_V = -v^2 \hat{f}^T \hat{M}_N^{-1} \hat{f}$

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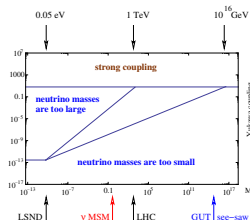
Seesaw diagram

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Prove:

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There are different regions:

$$M_N \sim 1 \text{ eV} - 5 \text{ GeV}$$

- keV-scale dark matter
- BAU via leptogenesis
- Neutrino anomalies (1 eV sterile neutrinos?)

direct searches!

$$M_N \sim 50 \text{ GeV} - 5 \text{ TeV}$$

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$$f \sim 10^{-6} \simeq Y_e$$

but with fine tuning or new global or gauge symmetries (e.g.  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ )

direct searches at LHC

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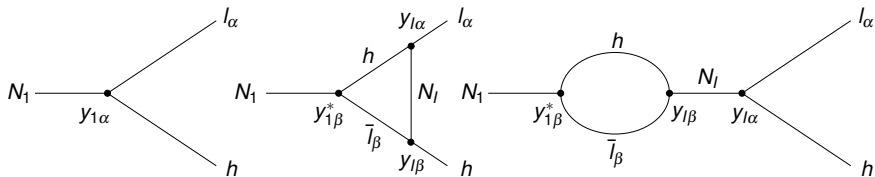
$$f \simeq 0.01 - 1$$

Untestable...?



# Lepton asymmetry $\delta$ at 1-loop level

$$y_{l\alpha} \bar{L}_\alpha N_l \tilde{H}$$



$$\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow lh) = \frac{M_1}{8\pi} \cdot \sum_\alpha \left| y_{1\alpha} + \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_{\beta,l} f\left(\frac{M_1}{M_l}\right) \cdot y_{1\beta}^* y_{l\alpha} y_{l\beta} \right|^2, \quad m_\nu \ll M_l$$

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$$M_{2,3} \gg M_1, f\left(\frac{M_1}{M_l}\right) = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{M_1}{M_l}, \quad \delta = -\frac{3M_1}{16\pi} \frac{1}{\sum_\gamma |y_{1\gamma}|^2} \sum_{\alpha\beta l} \text{Im} \left[ y_{1\alpha} y_{1\beta} \left( y_{l\alpha}^* \frac{1}{M_l} y_{l\beta}^* \right) \right].$$

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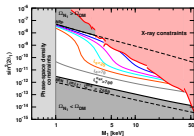
T.Asaka, S.Blanchet, M.Shaposhnikov (2005)

- Good fact: small finite quantum corrections  $\delta m_H^2 \propto f^2 M_N^2 \ll m_H^2$   
True low-energy scale modification of the SM
- Good fact: At  $T > 100 \text{ GeV}$  active-sterile neutrino oscillations produce lepton asymmetry in the early Universe, if  $\Delta M_N \ll M_N$   
E.Akhmedov, V.Rubakov, A.Smirnov (1998)
- To make phenomenologically complete: Dark Matter?
  - ▶ NOT a seesaw neutrino!  $m_\nu \ll m_{\text{atm},\text{sol}}$  general statement

$$\tau_{N \rightarrow 3\nu} \sim 1 / (G_F^2 M_N^5 \theta_{\alpha N}^2) \sim 1 / (G_F^2 M_N^4 m_\nu) \sim 10^{11} \text{ yr} (10 \text{ keV} / M_N)^4$$

either decay or equilibrate and then contribute to hot dark matter

- ▶ production in primordial plasma due to mixing with active neutrinos is ruled out from searches at X-ray telescopes



$$\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \nu\gamma} \simeq 5.5 \times 10^{-22} \theta_1^2 \left( \frac{M_1}{1 \text{ keV}} \right)^5 \text{ s}^{-1} \quad \text{a narrow line } (\delta E_\gamma / E_\gamma \sim \nu \sim 10^{-3})$$

at  $E_\gamma = M_N / 2$

- ▶ Possible for 1-50 keV (WDM-CDM range) either with further unbelievable fine-tuning in  $M_{N_I}$  ( $\Delta M_N \sim 10^{-7} \text{ eV}$ ) to get  $L \gg B$  and use the resonant production or with ANOTHER source of production, e.g. inflaton decays..

M.Shaposhnikov, I.Tkachev (2006), F.Bezrukov, D.G. (2009)

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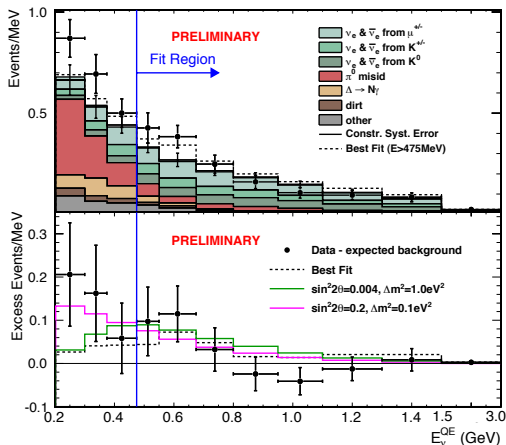
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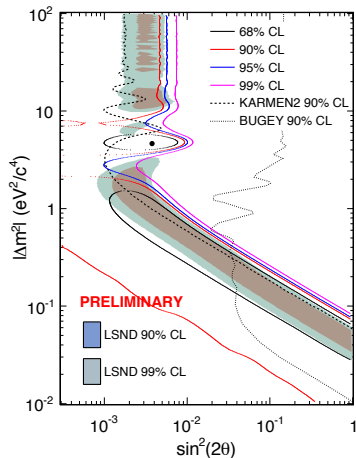
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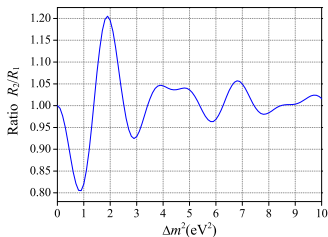
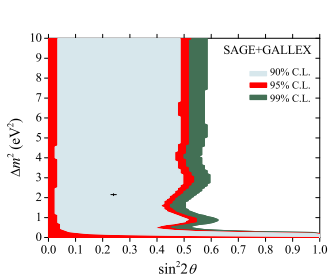


$\nu_e$  for  $\nu_\mu$  mode at MiniBooNE: no LSND-like effects,  
 However Low energy excess of  $\nu_e$   
 Explanation by  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow N$ ,  $N \rightarrow \gamma \nu$ , S.Gninenko (2007,2010)



NuFuct2011, 1201.1519  
 LSND-like oscillations are preferable  
 only at 90%CL

# Gallium anomaly: SAGE and GALLEX, $\nu_e \rightarrow N$ ?

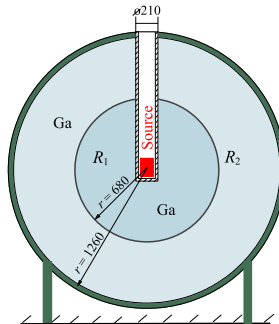


for  $\sin^2 2\theta = 0.3$

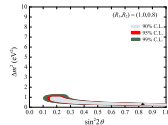
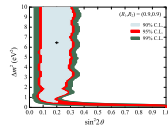
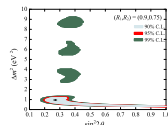
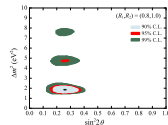
$^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow ^{71}\text{Ge}$   
due to  $^{51}\text{Cr}$  and  $^{37}\text{Ar}$  sources

$$\frac{N_{obs}}{N_{exp}} = 0.87 \pm 0.05$$

SAGE proposal of the test: 1006.2103

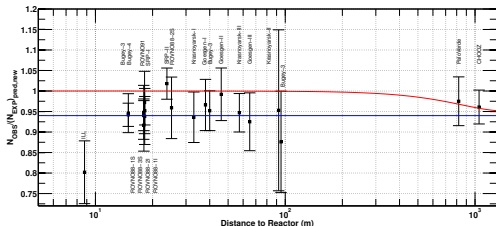


intensive  $\nu$ -source  $^{51}\text{Cr}$



# Reactor anomaly: $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow N$ ?

G.Mention et al. (2011)

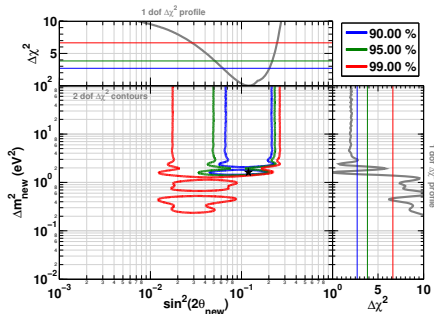


Deficite due to 6% correction to  $\bar{\nu}_e$  budget

- new nuclear rates
- new neutron life-time:

$$\tau_n : 926\text{s} \rightarrow 886\text{s}$$

However: the value of uncertainty remains the same,  
 $\sim 3\% \dots$



Combined fit to Reactor and Gallium data

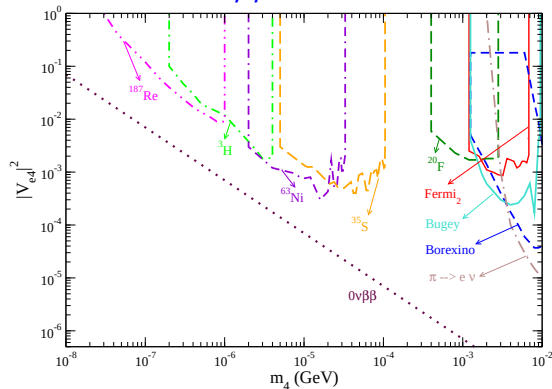
Bunch of proposals to test the anomaly. . .

see 1204.5379



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Essentially no bounds from kink searches,  
and even from  $0\nu\beta\beta$



0901.3589:  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -bound is stronger by 10, 1205.3867

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- **We certainly change cosmology...** (BBN, CMB, structure formation, etc.)

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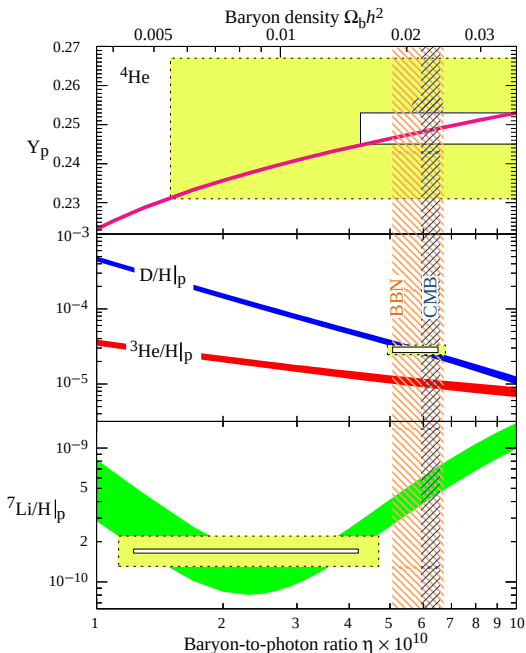
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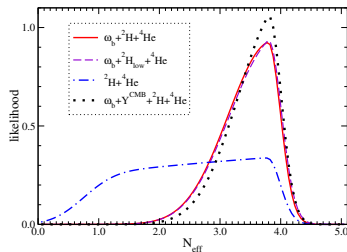
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$$Y_p = 0.2581 \pm 0.025 ,$$

$$D/H|_p = (2.87 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-5}$$

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similar results from other recent studies including structure formation

1001.4440, 1001.5218, 1202.2889

$$N_\nu < 4.2 \text{ @ } 95\% \text{CL}$$

$N_\nu < 4.3$  with shorter neutron's life...

# Light sterile neutrinos at recombination and later

With larger  $N_\nu$  and fixed  $\Omega_M$  we get later RD/MD transition, hence:

- DM perturbations start to grow  
 $\delta\rho_{DM}/\rho_{DM} \propto a$  later
- gravity potential evolution changes later
- oscillations in baryon-photon plasma change

CMB is sensitive to  $(T_{eq} - T_{rec})$  !

LSS is sensitive to  $T_{eq}$   
if initial  $\delta\rho_{DM}/\rho_{DM}$  is fixed

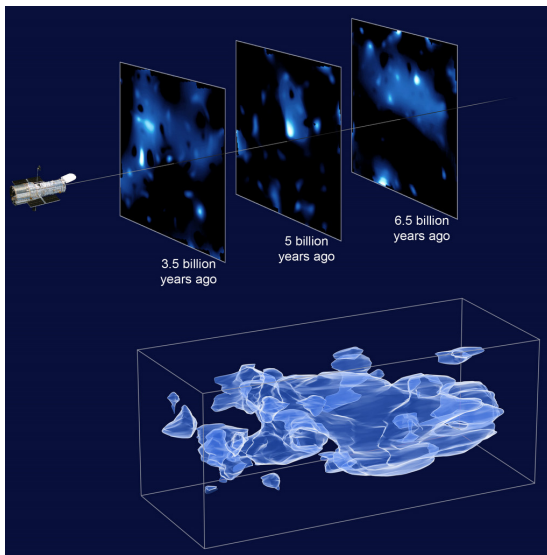
Sterile neutrinos become nonrelativistic at  
 $T \sim M_{\nu_s}/3 \sim 0.1 - 0.3$  eV ...

- neutrinos start to contribute to  $\rho_M \propto 1/a^3$
- neutrino perturbations of large lengths contribute to DM perturbations  $\delta\rho_M$
- neutrino perturbations of small scales disappear because of free streaming (Landau damping)
- oscillations in baryon-photon plasma change

LSS is sensitive to both  $N_\nu$  and  $M_{\nu_s}$  ...  
Not to forget about active neutrino masses!

1 eV neutrino contributes to dark matter but only a tiny amount!

# LSS: SZ-clusters, Weak lensing of CMB



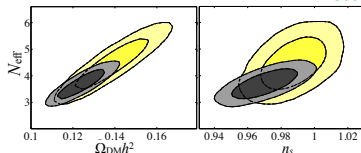
- $\Delta N_\nu$  amplifies shear power: cancel with quintessence contribution and flattening of spectrum,  $n_s \rightarrow 1$
- $M_N$  reduces power

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3 \rightarrow M_\nu < 0.46 \text{ eV}$$

$$M_\nu = 0 \rightarrow N_{\text{eff}} = 3.8 \pm 0.4$$

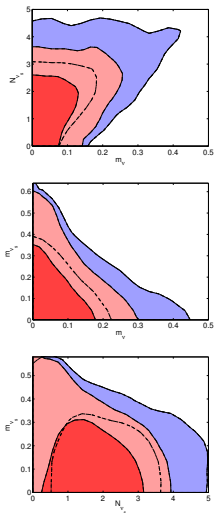
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# Combined analysis for sterile and active neutrinos

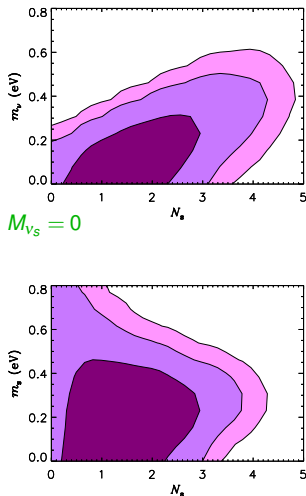
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CMB+SDSS+HST



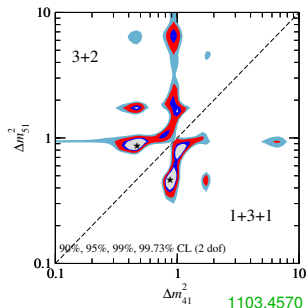
$M_{\nu_s} = 0$

$m_\nu = 0$

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LSND+MiniBooNE



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"3+1" :

$$\Delta m_{41}^2 = 1.76 \text{ eV}^2, |U_{e4}| = 0.151$$

"3+2" :

$$\Delta m_{41}^2 = 0.46 \text{ eV}^2, |U_{e4}| = 0.108$$

$$\Delta m_{51}^2 = 0.89 \text{ eV}^2, |U_{e5}| = 0.124$$

BBN rules out "3+2"

For "3+1" to allow  $M_N \gtrsim 1 \text{ eV}$  for CMB and LSS we need a new ingredient

talk by A.Starobinsky



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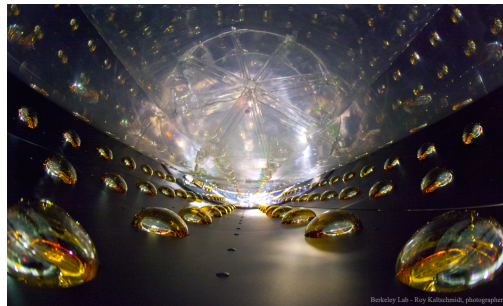
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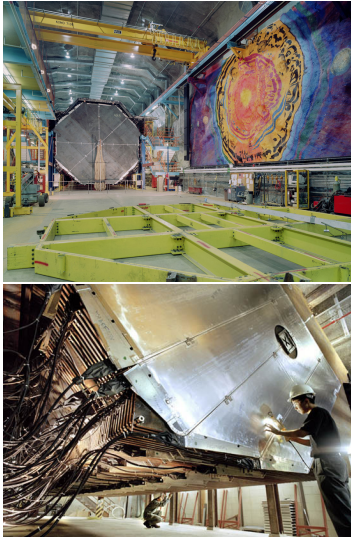
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Berkeley Lab - Roy Kalchauer, photographer

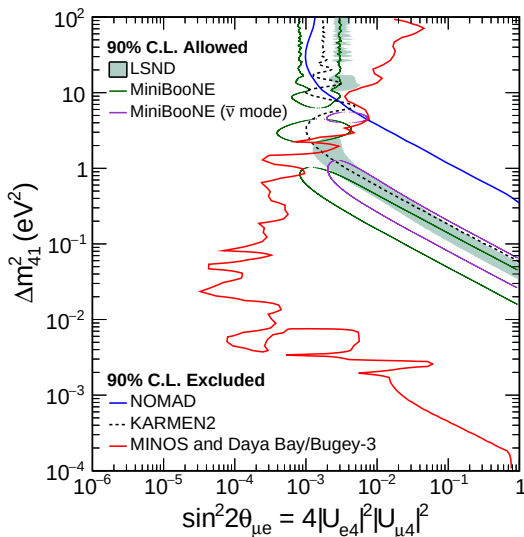
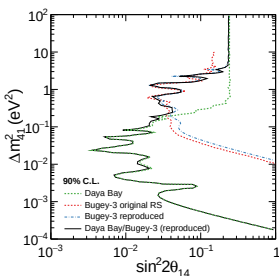
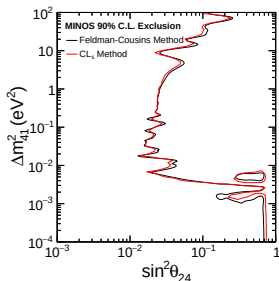


# Experiment MINOS: $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu$ , $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$ ,

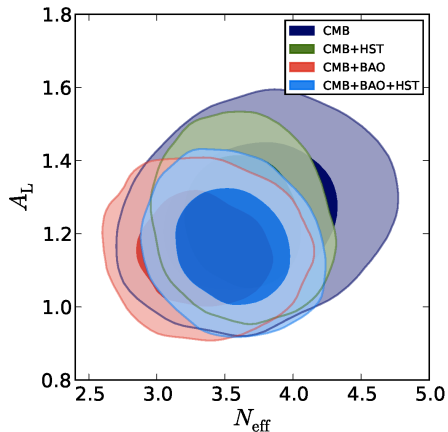
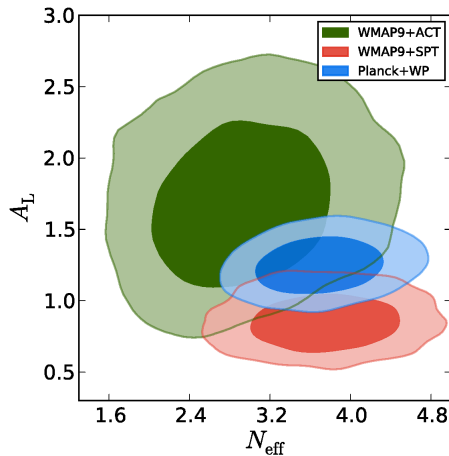


# Looks like the anomaly is closed ... ?

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# CMB lensing is far from canonical



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# Outline

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- 2 Neutrino oscillations
- 3 Physics behind the oscillations: sterile neutrinos?
- 4 Sterile neutrino scale
- 5 Bonus: What else can we get depending on mass?
- 6 Dark Matter**
- 7 Dark Matter Sterile Neutrino
- 8 Conclusion

# Interplay: Standard Model and Cosmology

Gauge fields (interactions):  $\gamma, W^\pm, Z, g$

Three generations of matter:  $L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}, e_R; Q = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, d_R, u_R$

- SM Describes

- ▶ all experiments dealing with electroweak and strong interactions

- SM fails to describe (PHENO)

- ▶ Neutrino oscillations
- ▶ Dark matter ( $\Omega_{DM}$ )
- ▶ Baryon asymmetry ( $\Omega_B$ )
- ▶ Inflationary stage

- (THEORY)

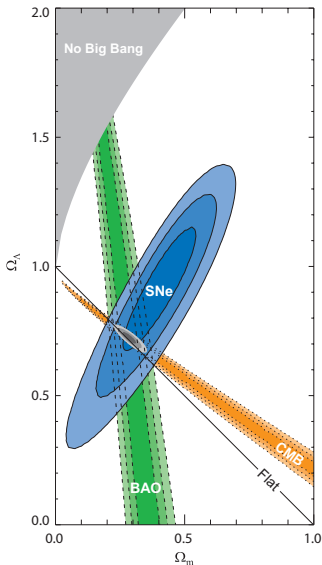
- ▶ Dark energy ( $\Omega_\Lambda$ )
- ▶ Strong CP-problem
- ▶ Gauge hierarchy
- ▶ Quantum gravity

Cosmology asks for new physics  
severely constrains many BSM

and limits neutrino mass  
relaxation..?



# Astrophysical and cosmological data are in agreement



$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = H^2(t) = \frac{8\pi}{3} G \rho_{\text{density}}^{\text{energy}}$$

$$\rho_{\text{density}}^{\text{energy}} = \rho_{\text{radiation}} + \rho_{\text{matter}}^{\text{ordinary}} + \rho_{\text{matter}}^{\text{dark}} + \rho_\Lambda$$

$$\rho_{\text{radiation}} \propto 1/a^4(t), \quad \rho_{\text{matter}} \propto 1/a^3(t), \quad \rho_\Lambda = \text{const}$$

$$\frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} = \rho_{\text{density}}^{\text{energy}}(t_0) \equiv \rho_c \approx 0.53 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

Radiation:

$$\Omega_\gamma \equiv \frac{\rho_\gamma}{\rho_c} = 0.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

Baryons (H, He):

$$\Omega_B \equiv \frac{\rho_B}{\rho_c} = 0.05$$

Neutrino:

$$\Omega_\nu \equiv \frac{\sum \rho_{\nu_i}}{\rho_c} < 0.01$$

$$N_\nu \simeq 3, \quad \sum m_\nu \lesssim 0.2 \text{ eV}$$

Dark matter:

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} \equiv \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{\rho_c} = 0.27$$

Dark energy:

$$\Omega_\Lambda \equiv \frac{\rho_\Lambda}{\rho_c} = 0.68$$

# Dark Matter Properties

- dust-like **pressureless** component,  $p = 0$
- **clumping** substance, gets confined in structures

If particles (or compact macroscopic objects):

- 1 **stable** on cosmological time-scale
- 2 electrically **neutral**
- 3 decoupled from visible matter
- 4 **nonrelativistic** long before RD/MD-transition,  $v_{RD/MD} \lesssim 10^{-3}$   
**free streaming prevents formation of small-scale structures**

# Key observable: matter perturbations

- CMB is isotropic, but “up to corrections, of course...”

- 1 Earth movement with respect to CMB

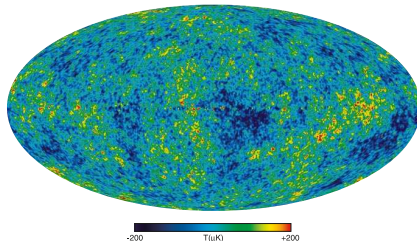
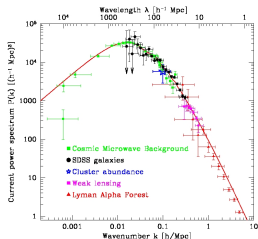
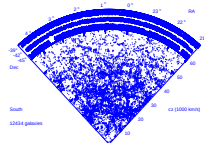
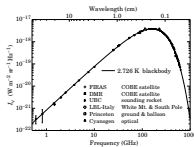
$$\frac{\Delta T_{\text{dipole}}}{T} \sim 10^{-3}$$

- 2 More complex anisotropy:  $\frac{\Delta T}{T} \sim 10^{-4}$

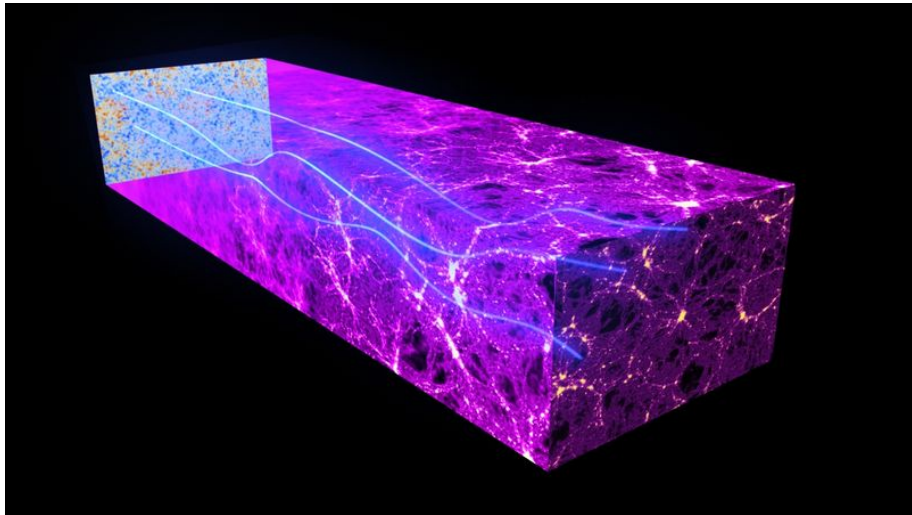
- There were matter inhomogeneities  $\Delta \rho / \rho \sim \Delta T / T$  at the stage of recombination ( $e + p \rightarrow \gamma + H^*$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Jeans instability in the system of gravitating particles at rest  $\Rightarrow \Delta \rho / \rho \nearrow$  galaxies (CDM halos)

- $\Delta \rho_{DM} / \rho_{DM} \propto a \propto 1/T$  from  $T = 0.8 \text{ eV}$ ,  
while  $\Delta \rho_B / \rho_B \propto a \propto 1/T$  only after recombination  
 $T = 0.25 \text{ eV}$

without DM total growth factor would be 1100  
not enough to explain structures!



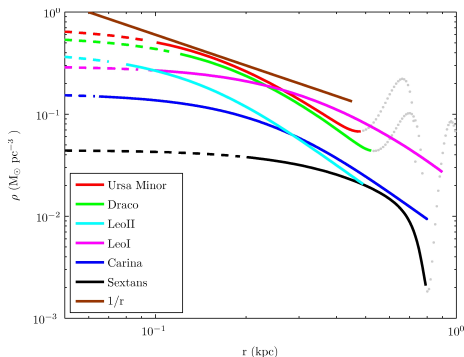
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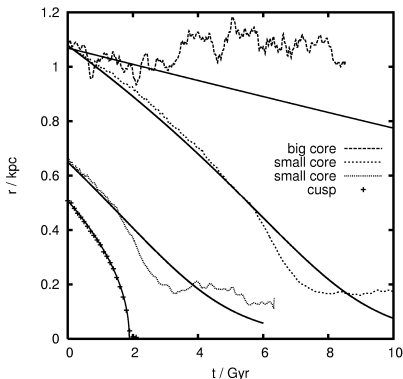
# CDM Problems at small-scales ... ?

- NFW profile fits nicely DM in galaxy clusters  $\rho \propto r^{-1}(r+r_c)^{-2}$
- Dwarf galaxy density profiles:  $\rho_M(r) \propto r^{-(0.5-1.5)}$  cusp  
most DM-dominated objects

## Cores observed (?)

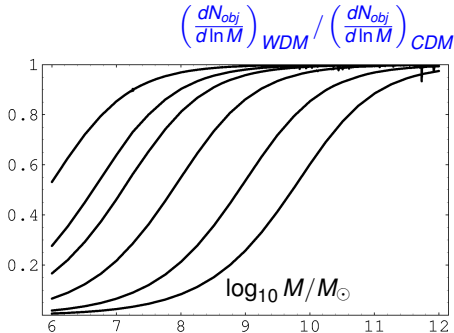
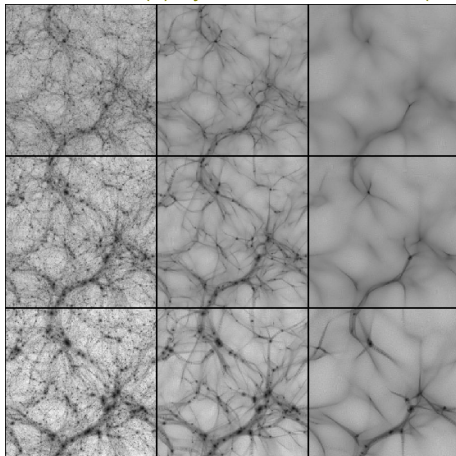


## 5 Clusters in the Fornax dSph



# CDM Problems ... ?

- Missing satellites:  $\frac{dN_{obj}}{d\ln M} \propto \frac{1}{M}$  no-scale 100 instead of 1000
- “Too big to fail” problem
- Solved (?) by Warm Dark Matter (sterile neutrino, gravitino) free-streaming



# Dark Matter properties from cosmology: $p = 0$

(If) particles:

- 1 **stable** on cosmological time-scale  
requires new (almost) **conserved quantum number**
  - 2 **produced in the early Universe**  
some time before RD/MD-transition ( $T = 0.8 \text{ eV}$ )
  - 3 **nonrelativistic** particles long before RD/MD-transition ( $T = 0.8 \text{ eV}$ )  
(either **Cold** or **Warm**,  $v_{RD/MD} \lesssim 10^{-3}$ )  
Otherwise no small-size structures, like dwarf galaxies:  
smoothed out by free streaming
- If were in **thermal equilibrium**:  $M_X \gtrsim 1 \text{ keV}$
- 4 (almost) **collisionless**  $p = 0$ ,  $v_{\text{sound}} = 0$
  - 5 (almost) electrically **neutral** CMB distortion
  - 6 **all matter inhomogeneities (perturbations) are adiabatic**:

$$\delta \left( \frac{n_B}{n_{DM}} \right) = \delta \left( \frac{n_B}{n_\gamma} \right) = \delta \left( \frac{n_\nu}{n_\gamma} \right) = 0$$

# Dark Matter properties from astrophysics

① **stable** on cosmological time-scale

② (almost) **collisionless**

to form ellipsoidal halos

③ (almost) electrically **neutral**

to be Dark

④ **stability of globular stellar clusters**

$$M_X \lesssim 10^3 M_\odot \approx 10^{61} \text{ GeV}$$

otherwise too strong tidal forces

⑤ **confinement in a galaxy:**

quantum physics!

de Broglie wavelength:  $\lambda = 2\pi / (M_X v_X) < l_{\text{galaxy}},$

for bosons

in a galaxy  $v_X \sim 0.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$

→

$$M_X \gtrsim 3 \cdot 10^{-22} \text{ eV}$$

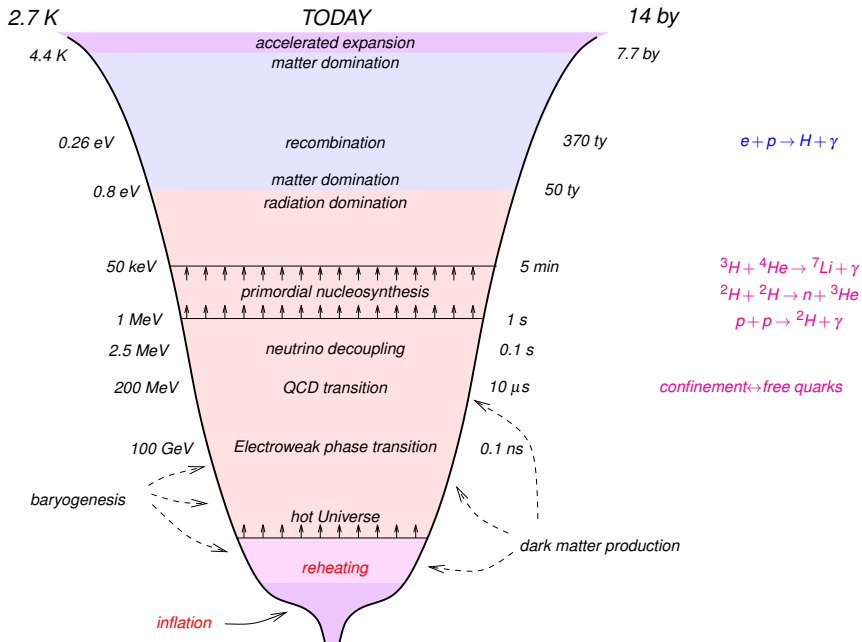
for fermions

Pauli blocking:

$$M_X \gtrsim 750 \text{ eV}$$

$$f(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho_X(\mathbf{x})}{M_X} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{2\pi} M_X v_X\right)^3} \cdot e^{-\frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2M_X^2 v_X^2}} \bigg|_{\mathbf{p}=0} \leq \frac{g_X}{(2\pi)^3}$$





# Microscopic processes in the expanding Universe

A **competition** between **scattering, decays, etc** and **expansion**

for general processes one should solve kinetic equations

$$\frac{dn_{X_i}}{dt} + 3Hn_{X_i} = \sum (\text{production} - \text{destruction})$$

Boltzmann equation in a comoving volume:  $\frac{d}{dt}(na^3) = a^3 \int \dots$

*production:*

$$\sigma(A+B \rightarrow X+C)n_A n_B, \quad \Gamma(D \rightarrow E+X)n_D \cdot M_D/E_D, \quad \text{etc}$$

*desrtuction:*

$$\sigma(A+X \rightarrow C+B)n_A n_X, \quad \Gamma(X \rightarrow F+G)n_X \cdot M_X/E_X, \quad \text{etc}$$

Fast direct and inverse processes,  $\Gamma \gtrsim H$ , are in equilibrium,  
 $\Sigma( ) = 0$  and thermalize particles

# Decoupling of relativistic Dark Matter

## Assumptions

- 1 DM particles are in equilibrium in plasma
- 2 DM decouple from plasma at temperature  $T_d \gtrsim M_X$ ,  
so they are **relativistic** (e.g. neutrino)

Later on

$$n_X(T_d) = g_X \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \cdot \frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} T_d^3$$

$$n_X a^3 = \text{const}, \quad sa^3 = \text{const} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{n_X}{s} = \text{const} = \# \frac{g_X}{g_*(T_d)} \quad \text{useful}$$

DM particle mass  $M_X$  fixes  $\Omega_X$ :

$$\Omega_X = \frac{M_X \cdot n_{X,0}}{\rho_c} = \frac{M_X \cdot s_0}{\rho_c} \frac{n}{s} \approx 0.2 \times \frac{M_X}{100 \text{ eV}} \left(\frac{g_X}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{100}{g_*(T_d)}\right)$$

– NO heavy stable feebly coupled to SM particles !

– NO realistic DM models:

Pauli blocking prevents fermionic DM

$$\frac{p_X}{M_X} \propto \frac{a_d}{a} \sim \frac{3T}{M_X} \left(\frac{g_*(T)}{g_*(T_d)}\right)^{1/3}$$

too energetic for the proper structure formation

# Decoupling of relativistic Dark Matter

Can we save the relativistic Dark Matter ??

one can try, say, nonstandard cosmological evolution

with entropy production

- 1 hot stage (radiation domination)  $\rho \propto 1/a^4$
- 2 add new nonrelativistic particles decoupled from plasma  $\rho \propto 1/a^3$
- 3 later they start to dominate  
intermediate stage of matter domination terminates before BBN !!
- 4 both relativistic DM density and entropy density drop
- 5 new nonrelativistic particles decay reheating the Universe  $T > 3 \text{ MeV}$   
entropy production

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# Dark Matter: non-thermal production

- ① in the primordial plasma of SM particles  
(via scatterings, oscillations):

gravitino  
sterile neutrino of 1-50 keV

- ② at phase transitions:

axion of  $10^{-4} - 10^{-7}$  eV  
Q-balls  
strangelets (?)

- ③ during reheating (after inflation?):

black holes  
any guy coupled (only) to inflaton

- ▶ perturbatively:

inflaton decays  
production by external (inflaton) field

- ▶ non-perturbatively:

Bose-enhancement of  
coherent production by external field

- ④ while the Universe expands:

gravity produces any particles at  $H \sim M_X$

# Sterile neutrino: well-motivated Dark Matter

$$\mathcal{L}_N = \bar{N}_I i \not{\partial} N_I - f_{\alpha I} \bar{L}_\alpha \tilde{H} N_I - \frac{M_{N_I}}{2} \bar{N}_I^c N_I + \text{h.c.}$$

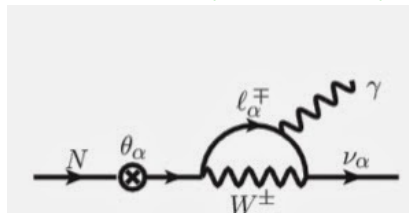
- massive fermions giving mass to active neutrino through mixing

$$m_a \sim \frac{f^2 v^2}{M_N^2} M_N \sim \theta^2 M_N$$

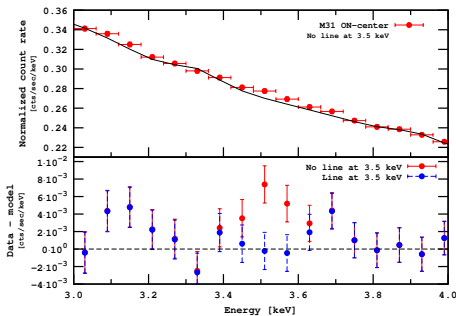
- unstable, but exceeding the age of the Universe at condition

$$\theta^2 < 1.5 \times 10^{-7} \left( \frac{50 \text{ keV}}{M_N} \right)^5$$

- can be searched for because of two-body radiative decay

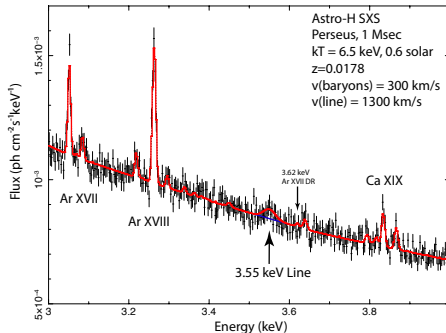
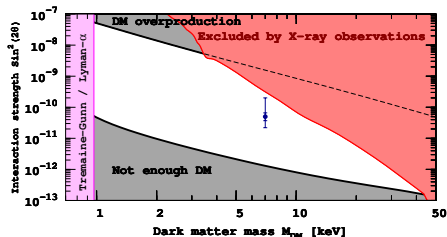


# Dark Matter decay observed in X-ray?



Stacking signals from many galaxies, especially Perseus cluster, then Andromeda

1402.2301, 1402.4119





# Production in oscillations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_s - H \mathbf{p} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} f_s = \Gamma_\alpha P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_s) f_\alpha(t, \mathbf{p}).$$

where  $\Gamma_\alpha \sim G_F^2 T^4 E$  is the **weak interaction** rate in plasma

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_s) = \sin^2 2\theta_\alpha^{\text{mat}} \cdot \sin^2 \left( \frac{t}{2t_\alpha^{\text{mat}}} \right),$$

$$t_\alpha^{\text{mat}} = \frac{t_\alpha^{\text{vac}}}{\sqrt{\sin^2 2\theta_\alpha + (\cos 2\theta_\alpha - V_{\alpha\alpha} \cdot t_\alpha^{\text{vac}})^2}},$$

$$\sin 2\theta_\alpha^{\text{mat}} = \frac{t_\alpha^{\text{mat}}}{t_\alpha^{\text{vac}}} \cdot \sin 2\theta_\alpha, \quad t_\alpha^{\text{vac}} = \frac{2E}{M_N^2}$$

and **effective plasma potential** for active neutrinos

$$V_{\alpha\alpha} \sim -\# G_F^2 T^4 E + \# G_F T^2 \mu_{L_\alpha}$$

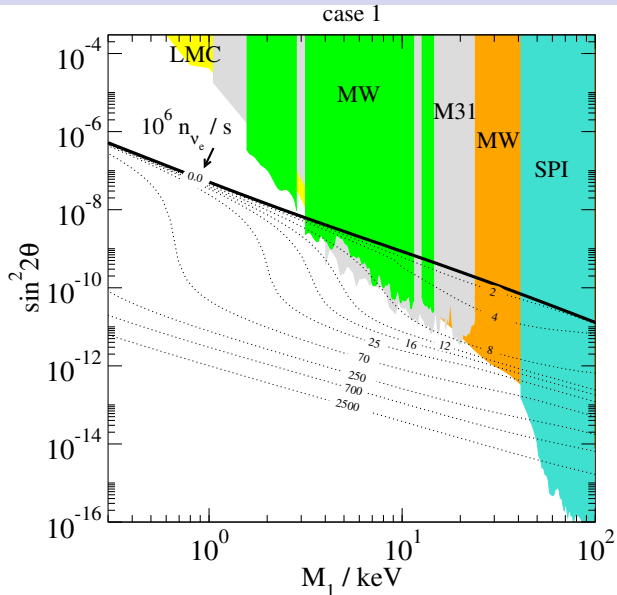
**resonant production in the lepton asymmetric plasma**

**BAU-DM connection?**

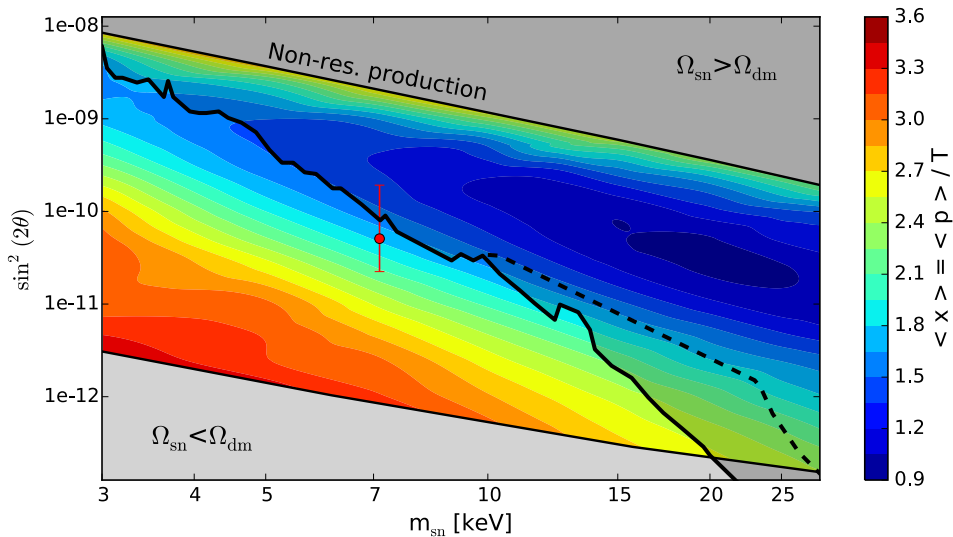
# Sterile neutrino Dark Matter

$\sin^2 2\theta$ ,  $n_{\nu_e}$  and  $M_N$   
to saturate  $\Omega_{DM}$

- larger asymmetry  
 $10^6 n_{\nu_e}/s > 2500$   
is forbidden by BBN
  - above the solid line  
“0.0”  $\Omega_N > \Omega_{DM}$
  - selected upper limits  
from X-ray telescopes
  - recall  $m > 0.75$  keV for  
fermionic DM
- It can be refined  
with estimates of  
neutrino velocities



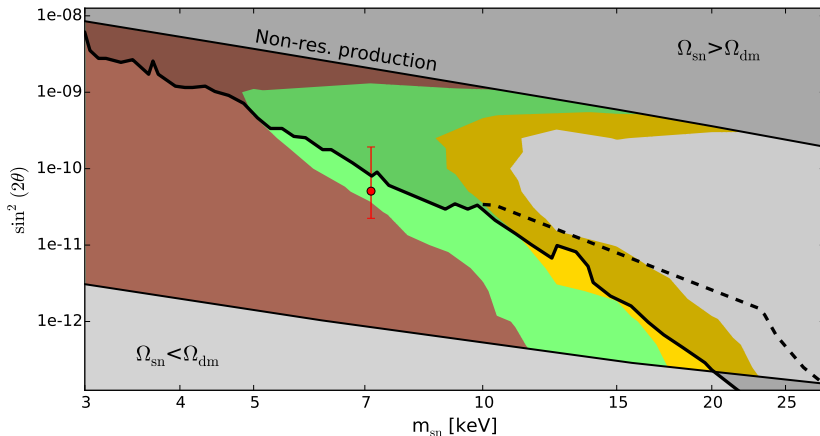
# Sterile neutrino Dark Matter



A.Schneider (2016)

# Sterile neutrino Dark Matter: ... gone?

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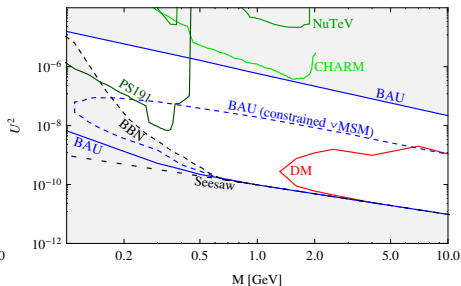
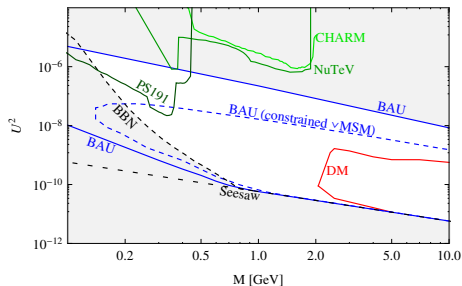


brown: MW satellite counts

green and yellow: Lyman- $\alpha$ 

production by inflaton

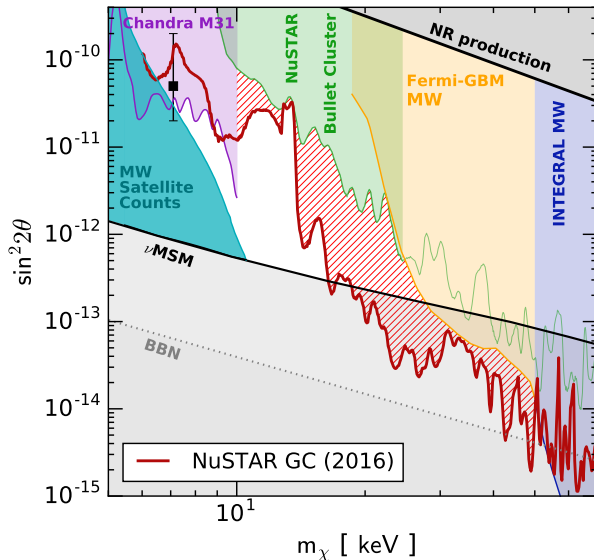
# $\nu$ MSM parameter space with resonant DM



L.Canetti, M.Drewes, M.Shaposhnikov 1204.3902

# $\nu$ MSM is severely constrained

1609.00667



# Lightest sterile neutrino $N_1$ as Dark Matter

Non-resonant production  
(active-sterile mixing) is ruled out

Resonant production (lepton  
asymmetry) requires  
 $\Delta M_{2,3} \lesssim 10^{-16} \text{ GeV}$

arXiv:0804.4542, 0901.0011, 1006.4008

Dark Matter production  
from inflaton decays in plasma at  $T \sim m_\chi$

Not seesaw neutrino!

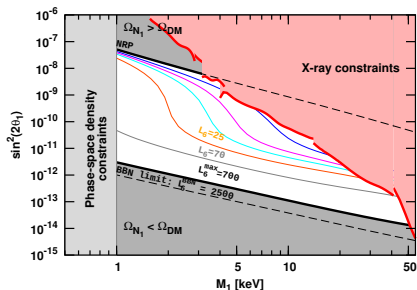
M.Shaposhnikov, I.Tkachev (2006)

$$M_{N_I} \bar{N}_I^c N_I \leftrightarrow f_I X \bar{N}_I N_I$$

Can be “naturally” Warm ( $250 \text{ MeV} < m_\chi < 1.8 \text{ GeV}$ )

F.Bezrukov, D.G. (2009)

$$M_1 \lesssim 15 \times \left( \frac{m_\chi}{300 \text{ MeV}} \right) \text{ keV}$$



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# Summary on sterile neutrinos

- Most economic explanation of neutrino oscillations within renormalizable approach:  
 $N = 2$  Majorana neutrinos
- Capable of explaining baryon asymmetry of the Universe  
easily even with  $\theta_{13} = \delta_{CP} = 0$
- One more neutrino can serve as (naturally Warm) dark matter  
this species does not explain oscillations!  
there are allowed mechanisms of DM sterile neutrino productions
- 1 eV- sterile neutrino is forbidden in cosmology, anomalies (LSND, ...) are gone...?  
dark radiation

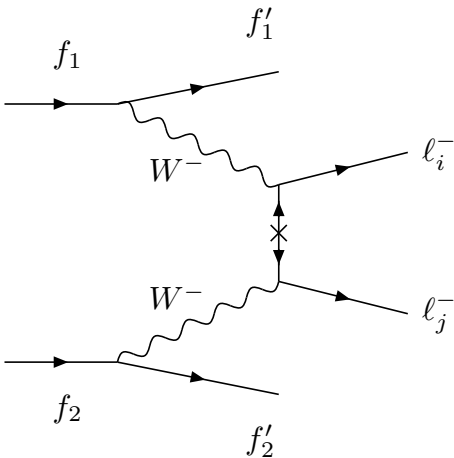


## Backup slides

# Indirect searches: $\Delta L = 2$ processes

$$D^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+ K^-, \dots$$

$$t \rightarrow b \mu^+ \mu^+ W^-$$



for light sterile neutrinos

$$\langle m \rangle_{\ell_i \ell_j}^2 = \left| \sum_I U_{\ell_i I} U_{\ell_j I} M_{N_I} \right|^2$$

for heavy sterile neutrinos

$$\left| \sum_I \frac{V_{\ell_i I} V_{\ell_j I}}{M_{N_I}} \right|^2,$$