

Neutrinos in cosmology



Neutrinos in particle physics

At the time the Standard Model of particle physics was constructed, it was assumed that:

- neutrinos have exactly zero mass;
- three neutrinos: one for each of the three charged leptons;
- lepton number is conserved separately for each of the three lepton families;
- neutrinos and antineutrinos are distinct;
- all neutrinos are left-handed.



Mass

- Fermions only have intrinsic mass because of interactions with the Higgs field (but require both left- and right-handed)
- Neutrinos acquire mass through the seesaw mechanism (right-handed neutrinos with very large Majorana masses are added)

Oscillations

• Neutrino oscillation arises from mixing between the flavor and mass eigenstates of neutrinos

Neutrino mixing

Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) mixing matrix

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{\rm CP}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{\rm CP}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{21} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\eta_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\eta_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Experiment	Dominant	Important
Solar Experiments	θ_{12}	Δm^2_{21} , $ heta_{13}$
Reactor LBL (KamLAND)	Δm^2_{21}	$ heta_{12} \;, heta_{13}$
Reactor MBL (Daya-Bay, Reno, D-Chooz)	$\theta_{13}, \Delta m^2_{31,32} $	
Atmospheric Experiments (SK, IC-DC)		$ \theta_{23}, \Delta m^2_{31,32} , \theta_{13},\delta_{\rm CP} $
Accel LBL $\nu_{\mu}, \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$, Disapp (K2K, MINOS, T2K, NO ν A)	$ \Delta m^2_{31,32} , \theta_{23} $	
Accel LBL $\nu_e, \bar{\nu}_e$ App (MINOS, T2K, NO ν A)	$\delta_{ m CP}$	$ heta_{13}\;, heta_{23}$

[de Salas et al., Phys. Letter B 782 633-640 (2018)]

Current constraints from global analysis $\Delta m^2_{21} \approx (7.55 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^{-5} eV^2$ | Δm^2_{31} | $\approx (2.50 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^{-3} eV^2$

Neutrino ordering

 constraints on the sum of neutrino masses have consequences on the neutrino ordering



no measurement of the neutrino mass scale, but at least two masses neutrinos today

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[Lesgourgues & Pastor, Phys. Rep. 2016]

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Effective number relativistic species

[Lesgourgues & Verde, PDG (2019)]



Effective number relativistic species

CMB sensitive to the number of relativistic species at decoupling

- standards neutrinos : $N_{eff} = 3.045$
- confuse situation since WMAP + SPT + ACT...

$$\rho = N_{\text{eff}} \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{4/3} \rho_{\gamma}.$$



Neff constraints

 $N_{\rm eff} = 2.99^{+0.34}_{-0.33}$

Current constraints from Planck

+BAO).



[Planck 2018 results. VI]

Allowing for massive sterile neutrino (m_v < 2 eV)

(95%, TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing

 $N_{\text{eff}} < 3.34,$ $m_{\nu, \text{ sterile}}^{\text{eff}} < 0.23 \text{ eV},$ $\begin{cases} 95\%, Planck \text{ TT,TE,EE+lowE} \\ +\text{lensing+BAO.} \end{cases}$

one thermalised sterile neutrino is excluded at 6σ irrespective to its mass

Neff in practice

[Henrot-Versillé et al., A&A 623 A9 (2019)]

systematics

- Boltzmann code
- Likelihood systematics
- Statistical analysis systematics



	Planck L +lowTEB+BAO	Config	$N_{\rm eff}$
1	PlikALL [#]	MCMC/CAMB	3.04 ± 0.18
	Boltzmann code and sampler systematics		
2	PlikALL	MCMC/CLASS	$3.03_{+0.17}^{-0.17}$
	Likelihood systematics		
3	CamSpecALL [#]	MCMC/CAMB	2.89 ± 0.19
4	hlpALL	MCMC/CLASS	$2.92^{-0.15}_{+0.15}$
5	hlpALLps	MCMC/CLASS	$2.86_{+0.15}^{-0.14}$
	Statistical analysis systematics		
6	PlikALL	Profile/CLASS	$3.00^{+0.19}_{-0.20}$
7	hlpALL	Profile/CLASS	$2.87^{+0.15}_{-0.14}$
8	hlpALLps	Profile/CLASS	2.85 ± 0.14
9	hlpALLps (Plik-like)	Profile/CLASS	$2.90^{+0.17}_{-0.16}$

Neutrino mass scale

[Lesgourgues & Verde, PDG (2019)]



Constraints on Sm_v

Huge improvement in the last two decades



Neutrino mass constraints

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	Model	95% CL (eV)	=
CMB alone			-
Pl18[TT+lowE]	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.54	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
Pl18[TT,TE,EE+lowE]	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.26	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
CMB + probes of background evolution			_
Pl18[TT+lowE] + BAO	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.16	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
Pl18[TT,TE,EE+lowE] + BAO	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.13	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
CMB + LSS			-
Pl18[TT+lowE+lensing]	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.44	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
Pl18[TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing]	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.24	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
$\overline{\text{CMB} + \text{probes of background evolution} + \text{LSS}}$			-
Pl18[TT+lowE+lensing] + BAO	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.13	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
Pl18[TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing] + BAO	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.12	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
Pl18[TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing] + BAO+Pantheon	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.11	[Planck 2018 results. VI]
$Pl18[TT, TE, EE+lowE+lensing] + BAO+Lyman-\alpha$	$\Lambda \text{CDM} + \sum m_{\nu}$	< 0.09	[Palanque-Delabrouille et al. (2020)]

Neutrino ordering



Neutrino ordering

• with increasing sensitivity, reaching now $\sigma(\Sigma m_v) \sim 0.05 \text{ eV}$

Can we already rule-out the Inverted Ordering (IO) ?

Bayesian evidence using cosmology + laboratory (oscillations, KATRIN) data:

- Jimenez et al. (03.2022) "Strong if not decisive evidence for NO"
- Gariazzo et al. (05.2022) "No conclusive evidence for NO"

not yet...

Model dependance



[Couchot et al. (2017)]

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Neutrino mass in practice



[Choudhury & Hannestad (2019)]

[Couchot et al. (2017)]

0.17

 1.19 ± 0.09

PlikTT

Neutrino mass in practice

[Palanque-Delabrouille et al. 2020]

• Ly-a tension n_s - Ω_m shows up on the neutrino sector



Prospects

- Future LSS surveys: DESI, Euclid, LSST, SPHEREx, SKA...
- Future CMB observations: Simons Observatory (SO), CMB-S4, LiteBIRD
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 - JUNO, T2HK
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Forecasts Σm_v

• Short-term: ~2025

- DESI+Euclid+Planck $\sigma(\Sigma m_V) \sim 20 \text{ meV}$
- limited by $\sigma(\tau) = 0.006$
- 3-4 σ on neutrino masses

• Mid-term: ~2030

- DESI/LSST+CMB-S4+LiteBird $\sigma(\Sigma m_V) \sim 15 \text{ meV}$
- $4-5\sigma$ on neutrino masses

• Long-term: ~2035

- MSE+CMB-S4 $\sigma(\Sigma m_V) \sim 8 \text{ meV}$
- Mass hierarchy at ~5σ



Forecasts Neff

[CMB-S4 Science Case (2019)]

• Light relics



 $\sigma(\text{Neff}) = 0.013 \text{ for } 2\sigma \text{ threshold}$ sensitivity to any light thermal relic (massless particle decoupling at T_F)



 $\sigma(N_{eff}) \sim 0.05 (SO) \\ \sigma(N_{eff}) \sim 0.03 (CMB-S4)$

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 - Cosmological measurements are model dependant
 - Neutrino impact is small and correlated with other type of effects (cosmological and systematics)
 - Tensions between datasets can create bias in the neutrino constraints

need to be very conservative and propagate all relevant uncertainties when considering cosmological constraints on the neutrino sector