## Core Collapse Supernova Neutrinos in XENONnT



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## **CCSN Neutrino Flux and Models**



#### SNEWPY, Astrophys.J. 925 (2022) 2

- EOS : LS 220, SHEN, BH...
- **Metallicity**: Solar (Z=0.02) and Small Magellanic Cloud SMC (Z=0.004)
- **Mass range** : 8-50 Mo
- Time burst duration: 0.5 to 20 s



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## **CCSN Dual phase Time Projection Chamber TPC**



ER: Beta, gamma, neutrinos NR: WIMPs, neutrons, neutrinos (CEvNS)



Prompt scintillation signal in LXe: **S1** Proportional scintillation in GXe: **S2** 

S1 Peak + S2 Peak

Event

## If the light yield is low (no S1), we can do an S2-only analysis

#### **CCSN Dual phase Time Projection Chamber TPC Event and Peak Level**

We can take advantage of the short signal of SN v to discriminate it from background, and use only the **peak** corresponding to the **S2 signal** that is sensible to **lower recoils**, as expected from **CVNS** interaction. This appraoch distinguish two different Level of analysis **Event Level** and **Peak Level**.



## **CCSN Simulation Chain** CVNS Rates



We use the physics driven supernova model fluxes from **SNEWPY** This gives us time and energy distributions of all the flavors during the burst.

For the TPC we are flavor blind as all flavors scatter off of the nuclei in same way, spectrum is not affected by v oscillations.

$$\frac{d^2 R}{dE_R dt_{pb}} = \sum_{\nu_{\beta}} N_{Xe} \int_{E_{min}^{\nu}} dE_{\nu} f_{\nu}(E_{\nu}, t, d) \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}(E_{\nu}, E_r)$$

Interactions with Xe target is investigated using SNAX package to compute expected recoil energies and interaction times.

These interactions are then simulated using WFSIM.

## **CCSN TPC** Simulation Chain Time Signal

The steps for the analysis.

- Simulate the detector signal for 8 models and many times.
- Look at the *count rates* after applying some selection.
- Compare the rate increase against the background fluctuation in a short, rolling time window.
- Assess the likelihood of upward background fluctuation and assign a detection significance.



Cleaner background = better detection of the supernova signal.

For the TPC we can do both **PEAK level** and **EVENT level** analysis.

- Track the increase in rate of all peaks, or
- Build events from the peaks and track the increase in the rate of events

XENONnT TPC has ultra low background in the low energy nuclear recoil region. Therefore, events are easier to trace.

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## **CCSN Simulation Chain Events and Peaks**

Signifiance Curves for a given SN distance for Peak and event level Analysis. The bands corresponds to background uncertaineties.



~100 Peaks 3.7  $\sigma$  at 10 kpc

Highest Fornax 2021 27 Mo Fornax 2021, 2019 Lowest Nakazato 2013 Mo Nakazato 2013

## **CCSN SNEWS Communications & Software Trigger**



**SNEWS-Comm** 



Listening incoming alerts



- We can already listen SNEWS and send ON/OFF heartbeats
- These scripts for monitoring and triggering can be deployed to a machine at LNGS
- Software Trigger needs further tuning



## **CCSN Interactions in XENONnT Water Tank**

Interactions leading to **Cerenkov light** production : NC (ES) and CC (IBD + ES)

#### Inverse Beta Decay (IBD ):



**100 - 200 Interactions** at 10 kpc Sensible to 1/6 v flux Ee+ ~ Ev – 1.2 MeV Directional information is lost... (e+ emission is almost isotropic) Neutron Capture signal

## Neutrino electron elastic scattering (ES ):



7 - 15 Interactions at 10 kpc
<Ee+> ~ 1.5 MeV
All flavors via NC
Directional information but not enough statistics

#### Water Tank dominant proces Cross Section



#### IBD e+, v and ES e- Energy Spectrums



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## **CCSN Inverse Beta Decay IBD**

#### Detectable **Positron** Signal

IBD threshold :  $E_{\nu_{th}} = 1.806 \text{ MeV} \ll \langle E_{\nu} \rangle \; (\approx 18 MeV)$ 

e+ Cherenkov threshold  $E_{ech_{th}} = 774 KeV \rightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{n_w}$   $n_w = 1.33$ 

IBD interaction is more sensible than CVNS to **v** mass states oscillations as we consider only ve flavour.



As  $v_{\tau} \approx v_{\mu}$  ( $\overline{v}_{\tau} \approx \overline{v}_{\mu}$ ) and SN progenitors >1kpc, observable v oscillation effects are finally related to the mass ordering hierarchy **(MO)** :

$$\frac{dN}{dtdE_{\bar{\nu}_e}} = \bar{p}_{ee} \frac{dN}{dtdE_{\bar{\nu}_e}} + \bar{p}_{xe} \frac{dN}{dtdE_{\bar{\nu}_x}}$$



#### **IBD** Positron Energy spectrum



**IBD** Positron Time evolution rate



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## **CCSN IBD Expectations in XENONnT Water Tank**

#### 2 Configurations (Water and Gd doped Water) into 2 Different detectors (Muon and Neutron Vetos)



Water with Gd 0.2 % (c~ 90 %)



Neutron capture, particularly in Gd Water configuration contimates Positron signal. This Gd Capture has high acceptance in Neutron Veto. Neutron Capture in Water not relevant for Muon Veto. Muon Veto :

• 84 PMTs

- 92 % of 700T Water Volume
- 50-160 IBD Interactions

#### Neutron Veto :

- 120 PMTs
- 8 % of 700T Water Volume
- 4-14 IBD Interactions

We expect **high signifiance** for neutron Veto due to high PMT coverage, but **few events** d **<20Kpc**. Muon Veto can cover large distances but we expect less signifiance

Both detector surrounded by reflectors, that enhance collection efficiency



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## **CCSN Simulation : Simulation Chain**



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## **CCSN Simulation : IBD Positron Energy**

For each SN Model we extract detection efficiencies  $\epsilon$ :

## Muon Veto



NMO events at 10 kpc 139-52 events

#### IMO events at 10 kpc 138-64 events

ROI

[1, 100 PE]

[0, 150 ns]

[2, 30 PMTs]

#### e+ Region of interest ROI

- coincidences
- Center time (~mean time when photons arrive to PMTS)



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## **CCSN Simulation : IBD Positron Energy**

## Neutron Veto

For each SN Model we extract detection efficiencies  $\epsilon$  :



e+ PMT coincidence vs Event Area





#### NMO Detectable vs expected e+ Energy Spectrum

e+ Center time vs Event Area



We have a very good accuracy of e+ energy spectrum.

NMO events at 10 kpc 13- 5 events

IMO events at 10 kpc 13- 6 events

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ROI
[1, 1200 PE]
[2, 120 PMTs]
[10, 100 ns]
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## **CCSN** Simulation : IBD Positron Time signal

Rolling Window in 10s through 100 SN Simulations.



Rolling a window over a signal **maximaze** his rate.

Maximun Rates characterize SN signal to be discriminated from background (also Neutron and ES signal) and happens in few **1ms.** The choice of the **Step** of **rolling window** (1 sec here) minimize background that should keep stable.

#### e+ Muon Veto Rolling Window Rates for 100 SN





#### e+ Neutron Veto Max rates for 100 SN



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## CCSN Background Model in XENONnT Water Tank : Neutron

Muon Veto

We study the contaminato of IBD neutron considering also Muon Veto Background in ROI, composed by also neutrons, i.e. Cerenkov light from nCapture in Water (and Gd) **gamma rays**.

Only neutron in Gd Water signal is important in Muon Veto.



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## **CCSN Background Model Neutron**

## Neutron Veto

Intrinsec neutron Veto background is composed mostly by radiogenic neutrons from detector component, that we will ad to IBD neutron signal. For neutron Veto we know signal of neutron from AmBe calibrations, but not in Water doped with **Gd**...



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## **CCSN Background Model : ES**

## Muon Veto



Low energies of Scattered electron close to the Cerenkov threshold (223 KeV).

NMO 4 events of 14 Interactions (2 to 5 Interactions) IMO 5 events of 14 Interactions (2 to 5 Interactions)

#### **ES e- Maximun Rate in rolling window** Before Cuts



#### **ES e- Maximun Rate in rolling window** After Cuts



Only a fraction of simulated ES from SNv interactions generate at least 1 event **Before cuts** :

NMO (IMO)	45 (47) / 100	After cuts only 2/100 ES
ES surviving	19 (25) / 100	Survives

## Neutron Veto

For this analysis we not consider ES in Neutron Veto as we expect an extremly low rate at 10 kpc:<< 1 event at 10 kpc However, it should be considerer at distances < 3 Kpc wen we expect to have 1 ES events (in front 45 IBD events )

SN

## CCSN Background Model : Final e+ signal

**Muon Veto** maximun Rate in Rolling Window from 100 SN at 10 kpc:

#### Before and After cuts (NMO) High Rate Model Low Rate Model Background e+ Max rates ES n (Gd) ES n (Gd) e+ 3 2 1 A.U. (18/100)(100/100)(100/100)(2/100)(1/100)(22/100)

Detectable e+ Spectrum after cuts NMO



Number of events after cuts

NMO events at 10 kpc 83- 29 events

IMO events at 10 kpc 84- 39 events

We loose **energy resolution** in the low energy region of e+ spectrum We reduce **significantly ES** and **neutron (Gd)** signals after cuts in therms of Maximun rates rolling window. At 10 kpc Low rate Model should have enough **signifiance** to consider e+ signal.

#### e+ Maximun rolling window Rates After cuts



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## Muon Veto

## CCSN Background Model : e+Final signal

**Neutron Veto** maximun Rate in Rolling Window from 100 SN at 10 kpc:



#### Detectable e+ Spectrum after cuts NMO



Number of events after cuts

NMO events at 10 kpc 12- 4 events

IMO events at 10 kpc 12- 5 events

Accurate detactable e+ spectrum, in terms of energy resolution. Neutron Veto signal becomes important at **distances <5 kpc (16-48 events)**  Neutron Veto

We reduce **almost completely ES** and **very significantly neutron (Gd)** signals after cuts in therms of Maximun rates rolling window. As we excepted in the e+ ROI we reduce background without loosing a priori any e+ event (mean e+ events ).

e+ Maximun rolling window Rates After cuts



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## CCSN Simulation in XENONnT Water Tank : IBD Signal Signifiance $\sigma$

Sensititivity Curve for a given SN distance using maximum Rates :

*Muon Veto* : p-value of PDF (Background + n(Gd) + ES)

Signifiance  $Z(\sigma) = \Phi^{-1}(1-p)$ Cowan et al. 2010



#### Neutron Veto :

Only neutron signal contributes to Background After cuts. A priori mean of expected detected events is conserved *After cuts.* 



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## **CCSN in XENONnT:** *Summary*

- Main interaction in TPC : CevNS
  - S2-only & event level analysis : high-significance detection
  - ~100 peaks, >30 events at least expected at 10kpc
- Main interaction in Water Tank : IBD
  - > 29 events at least expected at 10 kpc with >  $4\sigma$  in Muon Veto
  - > 4 events with high signifiance at 10 kpc

• (Almost) the first ever dark matter detector actively participating in SNEWS2.0

- Include Veto Systems (LGNS Veto Network)
- CC interactions and possible limitations under investigation



We are working

to combining

them...

- Model discrimination through light reconstruction is needed, but also:
  - IBD cross section (For Neutron and Muon Vetos)
  - SNv Flux uncertainties...
  - Background possible incrementation once Gd is present in Vetos

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# Back up

#### CCSN CC INTERACTIONS IN THE TPC

The CC interactions lead to emission of electrons and a daughter nucleus in an



Photoionization

#### **CCSN IBD POSITRON SPECTRUM**

#### MC GEANT4 e+ Simulations

Energy e+ Spectrum



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0.25 0.50 0.75 1.00

Positron Energy in the Lab frame

$$E_e = \frac{(E - \delta)(1 + \epsilon) + \epsilon \cos(\Theta) \sqrt{((E - \delta)^2 - m_e^2 \kappa)}}{\kappa}$$
$$\epsilon = E/m_P \qquad \kappa = (1 + \epsilon)^2 - (\epsilon \cos(\Theta))^2$$

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2D Positron rate

$$\frac{dN}{dE_e dt}_{ibd} = N_{H_2O} * f_p * \frac{1}{4\pi d^2} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} \frac{dN}{dt dE_{\bar{\nu}_e}} \frac{d\sigma(E, E_e)}{dE_e} dE_e$$
$$E_{min} = E_e + \delta \qquad E_{max} = \frac{E_{min}}{(1-2\frac{E_{min}}{m_p})} \qquad f_p = 2$$
$$\delta \equiv \frac{m_n^2 - m_p^2 - m_e^2}{2m_p} \qquad N_{H_2O} \approx 3.32710^{28}$$

Positron scattering angle in the Lab frame

$$cos(\theta) = \frac{(m_n^2 - m_p^2 - m_e^2 + 2m_p(E_\nu - E_e) - 2E_\nu E_e)}{2E_\nu p_e}$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\cos(\theta)dt}\Big|_{ibd}\Big|_{t} = N_{H_2O} * f_{p} * \frac{1}{4\pi d^2} \int_{E} \frac{L(t)}{\langle E \rangle(t)} \phi(E,t)\psi(t) \frac{d\sigma(E,\cos(\theta))}{d\cos(\theta)} dE$$

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-1.00 - 0.75 - 0.50 - 0.25

220

200

#### CCSN IMO e+ Energy Spectrums and Maximun Rates in Muon Veto rolling window IMO e+ Detectable Spectrum IMO e+ Rolling Window maximum Rates

#### Muon Veto



#### **Neutron Veto**



#### **Before Cuts**

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#### After Cuts







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#### **CCSN neutron Capture in Water Neutron Veto**

Detected before cuts Sukhbold\_2015 27.0M  $_{\odot}$  NMO

Detected after cuts Sukhbold\_2015 27.0M  $_{\odot}$  NMO



Interaction Nakazato\_2013 13.0M  $_{\odot}$  IMO Detected before cuts Nakazato\_2013 13.0M  $_{\odot}$  NMO Detected after cuts Nakazato\_2013 13.0M  $_{\odot}$  NMO Interaction Sukhbold\_2015 27.0M  $_{\odot}$  IMO

We expect to have 11 (11) and 4(5) events from High and Low rate model in NMO (IMO) cases. Only 1/100 SN survives after cuts.

Detection efficiency is higher than Muon Veto, being more close to the Gd capture one.



10

10

 $10^{-1}$ 

 $10^{-3}$ 

Events/MeV)

NMO

Neutron Kinetic Energy (MeV)

#### **CCSN neutrino oscillations**

#### SN environnemment:

The density variation,  $n_e(t)$  leads to  $H(t) = H_0 + V(t)$  **MSW effect** : Adiabatic or partially adiabatic neutrino flavor conversion in medium with varying density Adiabaticity condition:

$$\gamma = |\frac{\dot{\theta}_m}{H_{im} - H_{jm}}| \ll 1$$



1)In high densites SN medium  $rac{V}{k} \gg 1$  and  $cos2(ar{ heta}_m) pprox 1$   $sin2(ar{ heta}_m) pprox 0$ 

2)The assumption of  $N_{\mu} \equiv N_{\tau} = N_x$  leads to non observable effects of the transformation 2-3, i.e.  $\theta_{23m} = 0$  in NMO. **3 flavor oscillation case with**  $\theta_{12m}$  and  $\theta_{13m}$ .

3) In Vaccum :  $\bar{P}_{ex} \propto \sin^2 \Delta_{ij} = \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 d}{2E}$ At long distances 1 pc the factor  $\frac{d}{E}$  averages out:  $\bar{P}_{ex} \longrightarrow \langle \bar{P}_{ex} \rangle(\theta_{ij})$ 

Mean Probability will only depend on vaccum mixing angles  $\theta_{ij}$ .

For  $\bar{\nu}_{e}$  in Normal mass ordering NMO  $\bar{p}_{ee} = D_{e1} = \cos^{2}(\theta_{12})\cos^{2}(\theta_{13})$   $\dot{p}_{ex} = 1 - \bar{p}_{ee}$   $\bar{p}_{xx} = (1 + \bar{p}_{ee})/2$   $\bar{p}_{xe} = (1 - \bar{p}_{ee})/2$  (20) For Inverted mass ordering IMO :  $\bar{p}_{ee} = D_{e3} = \sin^{2}(\theta_{13})$   $\bar{p}_{ex} = 1 - \bar{p}_{ee}$   $\bar{p}_{xx} = (1 + \bar{p}_{ee})/2$   $\bar{p}_{xe} = (1 - 1)$  (21)

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## **CCSN Model Discrimination**

#### e+ Muon Veto Event Area vs time for 100 SN



e+ μ**Veto** a priori possible SN Model distintion...

Light Curves we expect to have enough statistics to get Luminosities and mean energies.