# Stimulated Neutrino Flavor Conversions and Rabi Oscillations

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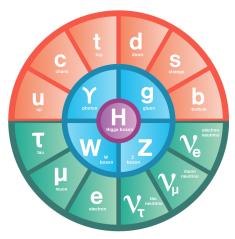
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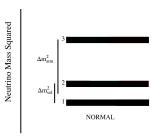


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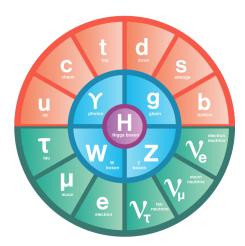
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- ▶ three flavors,
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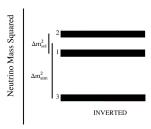
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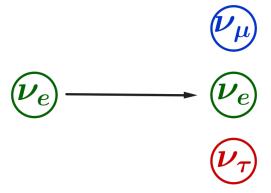
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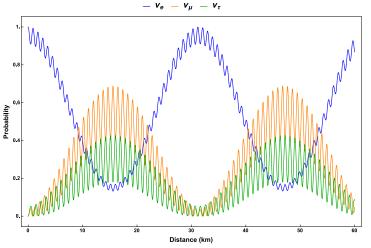
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Neutrino Oscillations

# WHAT ARE NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS?





Probabilities of finding neutrinos to be in each flavor.

#### WHY DO NEUTRINOS OSCILLATE?

Flavor states are different from mass states (eigen energy states).

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_{e} \\ \psi_{\mu} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{\nu} & \sin \theta_{\nu} \\ -\sin \theta_{\nu} & \cos \theta_{\nu} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{1} \\ \psi_{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

# WHY DO NEUTRINOS OSCILLATE?

#### **Equation of Motion**

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► Oscillation frequency:

$$\omega_{ ext{v}}=rac{\delta m^2}{2E}=rac{m_2^2-m_1^2}{2E}$$

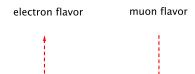
▶ Mixing angle  $\theta_v$ 

#### FLAVOR ISOSPIN

Hamiltonian:  $\mathbf{H}=-rac{ec{\sigma}}{2}\cdotec{H}$  Flavor isospin:  $ec{s}=\Psi^\daggerrac{ec{\sigma}}{2}\Psi$ 

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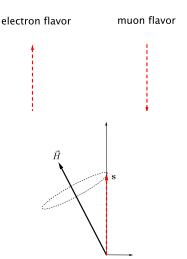
Vacuum oscillation Hamiltonian

$$\frac{\omega_{\rm v}}{2} \left( -\cos 2\theta_{\rm v} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_3 + \sin 2\theta_{\rm v} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \right. \right)$$

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Electron flavor survival probability

$$P=\frac{1}{2}+s_3$$



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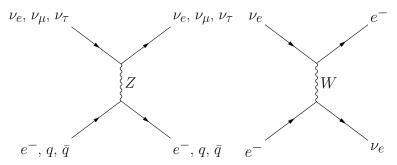
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#### INTERACTIONS WITH MATTER



Neutral current interaction between  $\nu_{\rm e},\,\nu_{\mu},\,\nu_{\tau},\,{\rm and}\,\,e^-,\,{\rm quarks}$  etc.

Charged current interaction between  $\nu_{\rm e}$  and  $e^-$ 

#### MATTER INTERACTION

Hamiltonian with matter interaction in flavor basis ( $\omega_{\rm v} = \delta m^2/2E$ ):

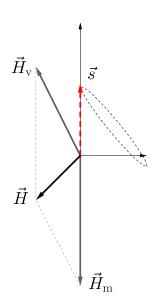
$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{\omega_{\mathbf{v}}}{2} \left( -\cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{v}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} + \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{v}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1} \right) + \frac{\lambda(x)}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3}$$

- ► Vacuum Hamiltonian
- ► Matter interaction
- $\lambda(x) = \sqrt{2}G_{\rm F}n_{\rm e}(x)$

#### MSW Effect

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\omega_{\mathrm{v}}}{2} \left( -\cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} + \sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1} \right) + \frac{\lambda(x)}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} \\ &\to \omega_{\mathrm{v}} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}} \\ 0 \\ \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -\lambda(x) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \vec{H}_{\mathrm{v}} + \vec{H}_{\mathrm{m}}(x) \end{split}$$

# **MSW EFFECT**



# Energy gap:

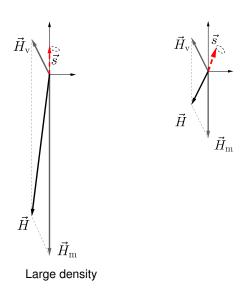
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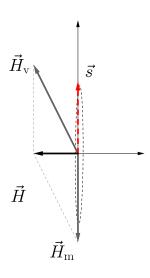
#### Adiabatic matter density change





Low density

#### MSW EFFECT

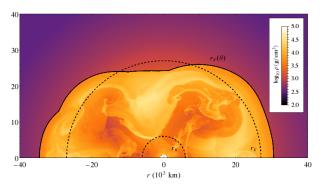


- ▶ MSW Resonance
- Maximum possible flavor transition probability amplitude
- ► A specific matter density

#### More Complicated Matter Effect

#### Why Do We Care

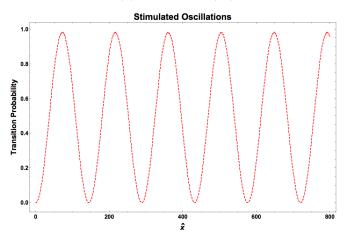
Astrophysical environments: supernovae etc



Supernova shock and turbulence. E. Borriello, et al (2014)

# STIMULATED NEUTRINO FLAVOR CONVERSIONS

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx)$$



Stimulated oscillations.  $\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx)$ 

P. Krastev and A. Smirnov (1989); J. Kneller et al (2013); K. Patton et al (2014):

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#### Rabi Oscillation

#### Hamiltonian

$$-\frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2}\sigma_{3}-\frac{\alpha}{2}\begin{pmatrix}0&e^{ikt}\\e^{-ikt}&0\end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{\omega_m}{2}$$

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Periodic Driving Potential

$$E_1 = -\frac{\omega_m}{2}$$

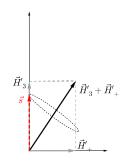
Frequency : k

#### Static Frame

$$\vec{H}_3 = \omega_{\rm m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{H}_+ = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(kt) \\ -\sin(kt) \end{pmatrix}$$

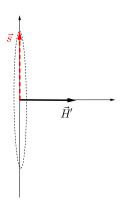
#### Corotating Frame

$$\vec{H}_{3} = \omega_{\mathrm{m}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{H}_{+} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(kt) \\ -\sin(kt) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \vec{H}_{3}' = (\omega_{\mathrm{m}} - k) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{H}_{+}' = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



#### Corotating Frame

$$ec{H}_3' = (\omega_{
m m} - k) egin{pmatrix} 0 \ 0 \ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow k = \omega_{
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Periodic Driving Potential

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Rabi formula

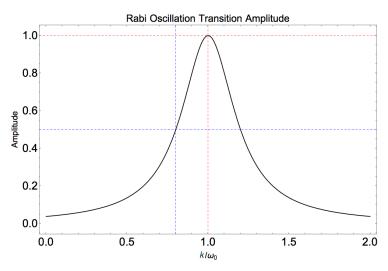
$$P_{1\to 2} = \frac{1}{1+D^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm R}}{2}t\right).$$

Relative detuning

$$D = \left| \frac{\omega_{\rm m} - k}{\alpha} \right|.$$

Rabi frequency

$$\Omega_{\rm R} = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha^2 + (\omega_{\rm m} - k)^2}{}}$$



Amplitude of Rabi oscillations for different driving field frequency  $\boldsymbol{k}$ 

# $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{HAMILTONIAN IN MATTER BASIS} & \begin{pmatrix} \psi_e \\ \psi_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_m & \sin\theta_m \\ -\sin\theta_m & \cos\theta_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ \psi_H \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$

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#### Matter Potential

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0$$

#### Basis

Background matter basis (eigen energy basis):

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} \right) \boldsymbol{\sigma_{3}}$$

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# HAMILTONIAN IN MATTER BASIS

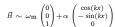
$$\alpha = \frac{\sin 2\theta_{\rm m}}{2} A$$

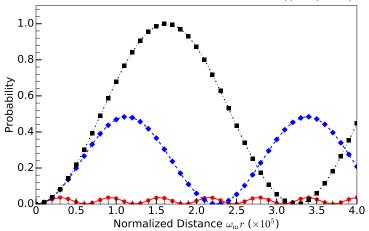
#### Matter potential frequency

$$k \sim \omega_{
m m}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{H} = & \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}) \right) \sigma_{3} - \frac{\sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}}{2} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}) \sigma_{1} \\ \rightarrow & \omega_{\mathrm{m}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(kx) \\ -\sin(kx) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-kx) \\ -\sin(-kx) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

## RABI FORMULA WORKS





Lines: Rabi formula Dots, diamonds, triangles, and squares are for  $k=\omega_{\rm m}$ ,  $k=(1-2\times 10^{-5})\omega_{\rm m}$ , and  $k=(1-10^{-4})\omega_{\rm m}$  respectively.

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# SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER POTENTIAL REVISITED

We have been making approximations.

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \right) \sigma_{3} - \frac{\sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}}{2} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \sigma_{1}$$

$$\rightarrow \omega_{\mathrm{m}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \\ -\sin(\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \\ -\sin(-\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### RABI BASIS

#### Hamiltonian in Background Matter Basis

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \frac{\cos(kx)}{\cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}} \right) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} - \frac{\cos(kx)}{2} \sin \theta_{\mathrm{m}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}.$$

#### A Better Basis

Define Rabi basis  $\{|\tilde{\nu}_L\rangle, |\tilde{\nu}_H\rangle\}$  in which the wave function is related to wave function in background matter basis  $\{|\nu_L\rangle, |\nu_H\rangle\}$  through

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\rm L} \\ \psi_{\rm H} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\eta(x)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\eta(x)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\psi}_{\rm L} \\ \tilde{\psi}_{\rm H} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\eta(x) - \eta(0) = \frac{\cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}}{2} \int_{0}^{x} \frac{\cos(k\tau)d\tau}{}.$$

## SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER POTENTIAL

#### Hamiltonian in Rabi Basis

The off-diagonal element of Hamiltonian

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Multiple potentials with different frequencies!

$$ec{H} = egin{pmatrix} 0 \ 0 \ \omega_m \end{pmatrix} + lpha_1 egin{pmatrix} \cos(k_1 x) \ -\sin(k_1 x) \ 0 \end{pmatrix} + egin{pmatrix} lpha_2 egin{pmatrix} \cos(k_2 x) \ -\sin(k_2 x) \ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Corotating frame of the second frequency,

$$\vec{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \omega_m - k_2 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(k_1 - k_2 x) \\ -\sin(k_1 - k_2 x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\sqrt{(\omega_{\rm m}-k_2)^2+\alpha_2^2}\rightarrow \omega_{\rm m}-k_2+\frac{1}{2}\frac{\alpha_2^2}{\omega_{\rm m}-k_2}$$

Relative detuning

$$D' = \left| \frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}} - k_1}{\alpha_1} + \frac{\alpha_2^2}{2\alpha_1(\omega_{\mathrm{m}} - k_2)} \right|$$

Consider  $k_1 = \omega_{\rm m}$ 

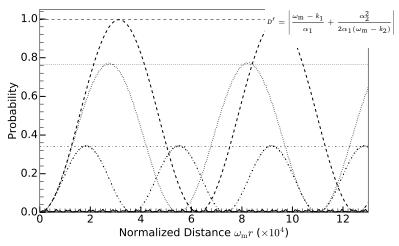
$$D' = \left| \frac{\alpha_2^2}{2\alpha_1(\omega_{\rm m} - k_2)} \right|$$

Amplitude reduces from 1 to 1/2 if

$$D' = 1$$
.

Two driving frequencies  $k_1$ , and  $k_2$ , with amplitude  $\alpha_1$ , and  $\alpha_2$  Destruction effect:  $k_1 = \omega_m$ ,

$$|\alpha_2| \gg \sqrt{2\omega_{\rm m}|\alpha_1(k_2 - \omega_{\rm m})|} \equiv \alpha_{2,\rm C}$$



Grid lines: amplitude predicted using  $1/(1+D^{\prime 2})$ 

$\alpha_2, \kappa_1$ values				
Dashed	dotted	dash-dotted	solid	
$10^{-2}\omega_{\rm m}$ , $10\omega_{\rm m}$	$10^{-2}\omega_{\rm m}, 10^{-1}\omega_{\rm m}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-2} \omega_{\rm m}, 10 \omega_{\rm m}$	$5 \times 10^{-2} \omega_{\rm m}, 10^{-1} \omega_{\rm m}$	

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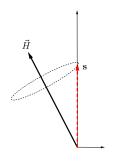
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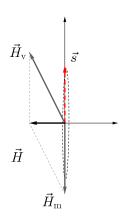
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For matter potential

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Resonance condition

$$nk = \omega_{\rm m}$$

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$$|\alpha_2| \gg \sqrt{2\omega_{\rm m}|\alpha_1(k_2 - \omega_{\rm m})|} \equiv \alpha_2$$

# BACKUP SLIDES

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### WHY DO NEUTRINOS OSCILLATE?

#### **Equation of Motion**

$$i\partial_x\ket{\Psi}=\hat{\mathbf{H}}\ket{\Psi}$$

► Basis: Hamiltonian diagonalized basis/mass basis/propagation basis, {|\(\nu\_1\), |\(\nu\_2\)\}.

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$$\mathrm{H}=-rac{\omega_{\mathrm{v}}}{2}\sigma_{3}, \qquad ext{where} \ \omega_{\mathrm{v}}=rac{\delta m^{2}}{2E}=rac{m_{2}^{2}-m_{1}^{2}}{2E}.$$

► The system can be solved given initial condition of the amplitudes of the two eigenstates  $(\langle \nu_1 | \Psi(0) \rangle, \langle \nu_2 | \Psi(0) \rangle)^T$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle \nu_1 | \Psi(x) \rangle \\ \langle \nu_2 | \Psi(x) \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \nu_1 | \Psi(0) \rangle \exp{(i\omega_v x/2)} \\ \langle \nu_2 | \Psi(0) \rangle \exp{(-i\omega_v x/2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

### WHY DO NEUTRINOS OSCILLATE?

#### Flavor basis

Neutrino wave function in flavor basis  $\{\ket{\nu_{\rm e}},\ket{\nu_{\rm \mu}}\}$  is related to state in energy basis  $\{\ket{\nu_1},\ket{\nu_2}\}$  through

$$\begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{\rm e}\rangle \\ |\nu_{\mu}\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{\rm v} & \sin\theta_{\rm v} \\ -\sin\theta_{\rm v} & \cos\theta_{\rm v} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{1}\rangle \\ |\nu_{2}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

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#### Hamiltonian H

Mass basis

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{\omega_{v}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \frac{\omega_{v}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -\cos 2\theta_{v} & \sin 2\theta_{v} \\ \sin 2\theta_{v} & \cos 2\theta_{v} \end{pmatrix} \\ = -\frac{\omega_{v}}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} & = \frac{\omega_{v}}{2} \left( -\cos 2\theta_{v} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} + \sin 2\theta_{v} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1} \right) \end{array}$$

### NATURE OF NEUTRINO OSCILLATION

#### Transition Probability

$$P(|\nu_{\rm e}\rangle \rightarrow |\nu_{\mu}\rangle) = \sin^2(2\theta_{\rm v})\sin^2(\omega_{\rm v}x/2)$$

- $\omega_{\rm v} = (m_2^2 m_1^2)/2E$  determines oscillation wavelength.
- ▶ Mixing angle  $\theta_v$  determines flavor oscillation amplitude.

#### **MSW EFFECT**

$$\begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{\rm e}\rangle \\ |\nu_{\mu}\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{\rm v} & \sin\theta_{\rm v} \\ -\sin\theta_{\rm v} & \cos\theta_{\rm v} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{1}\rangle \\ |\nu_{2}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

Constant matter profile  $\lambda_0$  as an example,

## Significance of $\theta_{\rm m}$

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In matter basis

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#### **MSW EFFECT**

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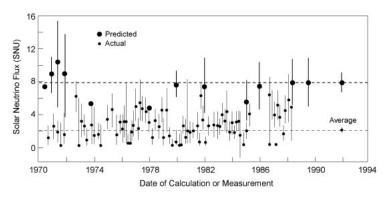
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#### Transition Probability

$$P(|\nu_{\rm e}\rangle \to |\nu_{\mu}\rangle) = \sin^2(2\theta_{\rm m})\sin^2(\omega_{\rm m}x)$$

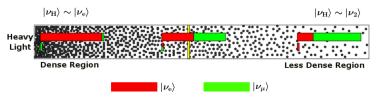
# SOLAR NEUTRINO PROBLEM



Chlorine detector (Homestake experiment) results and theory predictions. SNU: 1 event for  $10^{36}$  target atoms per second. Kenneth R. Lang (2010)

### MSW EFFECT AND SOLAR NEUTRINOS

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x}) - \omega_{\mathrm{v}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}}}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} + \frac{\omega_{\mathrm{v}} \sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{v}}}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1} \\ \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{\mathrm{L}}\rangle \\ |\nu_{\mathrm{H}}\rangle \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{\mathrm{m}} & -\sin \theta_{\mathrm{m}} \\ \sin \theta_{\mathrm{m}} & \cos \theta_{\mathrm{m}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_{\mathrm{e}}\rangle \\ |\nu_{\mu}\rangle \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{H}_{\mathrm{matter-basis}} &= -\frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} \end{split}$$



Yellow bar is the resonance point. Red:  $|\nu_e\rangle$ . Green:  $|\nu_{\mu}\rangle$ . Adapted from Smirnov, 2003.

## **MSW Effect Inverted Hierarchy**

$$\begin{split} \text{Suppose } \omega_{\text{v}} &= (m_2^2 - m_1^2)/2E < 0, \\ & \text{H} = \frac{-\frac{\omega_{\text{v}}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -\cos 2\theta_{\text{v}} & \sin 2\theta_{\text{v}} \\ \sin 2\theta_{\text{v}} & \cos 2\theta_{\text{v}} \end{pmatrix}}{1} + \sqrt{2}G_{\text{F}}n_{\text{e}}(x) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \\ & \downarrow \\ & \text{H} &= \left( \frac{-\omega_{\text{v}}}{2}\cos 2\theta_{\text{v}} + \frac{\lambda(x)}{2} \right) \sigma_3 - \frac{\omega_{\text{v}}}{2}\sin 2\theta_{\text{v}}\sigma_1 \end{split}$$

#### HAMILTONIAN

#### Matter Profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta\lambda(x)}{\delta\lambda(x)}$$

#### Basis

Background matter basis (eigen energy basis): Hamiltonian is diagonalized with only background matter profile  $\lambda_0$ ,

$$H_{background} = -\frac{\omega_m}{2} \sigma_3.$$

#### Hamiltonian

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \frac{\delta \lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x})} \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \right) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{3} - \frac{\delta \lambda(\mathbf{x})}{2} \sin \theta_{\mathrm{m}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}.$$

## **HAMILTONIAN**

#### Hamiltonian in Background Matter Basis

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \frac{\delta \lambda(\mathbf{x})}{\lambda(\mathbf{x})} \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \right) \sigma_{3} - \frac{\delta \lambda(\mathbf{x})}{2} \sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \sigma_{1}.$$

#### Matter profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx),$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\omega_{\mathrm{m}} + \cos 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}) \right) \sigma_{3} - \frac{\sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}}{2} \mathbf{A} \cos(\mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}) \sigma_{1}.$$

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### RABI OSCILLATIONS

The coupling strength is calculated as

$$\alpha = \langle 1|\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{E}|2\rangle$$

where the electric field is

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 \sin(kt).$$

and d is the dipole moment.

# OSCILLATIONS WITH MULTIFREQUENCIES $\alpha = \frac{\sin 2\theta_m}{2}A$

$$\vec{H} = \omega_{\rm m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \sin(kx) \\ \cos(kx) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \sin(kx) \\ -\cos(kx) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dropping off-resonance frequency: Requirement?

$$ec{H} = egin{pmatrix} 0 \ 0 \ \omega_m \end{pmatrix} + lpha_1 egin{pmatrix} \cos(k_1 x) \ -\sin(k_1 x) \ 0 \end{pmatrix} + egin{pmatrix} lpha_2 egin{pmatrix} \cos(k_2 x) \ -\sin(k_2 x) \ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Corotating frame of the second frequency,

$$\vec{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \omega_m - k_2 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(k_1 - k_2 x) \\ -\sin(k_1 - K_2 x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Energy gap in this frame becomes the length of the vector

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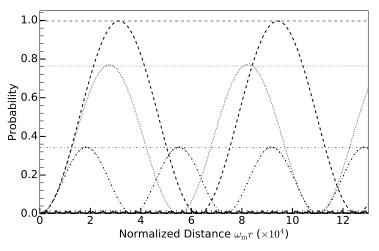
$$\sqrt{(\omega_{\mathrm{m}}-k_{\mathrm{2}})^{2}+\alpha_{\mathrm{2}}^{2}}\rightarrow\omega_{\mathrm{m}}-k_{\mathrm{2}}+\frac{1}{2}\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{2}}^{2}}{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}-k_{\mathrm{2}}}$$

Relative detuning

$$D' = \left| \frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}} - k_1}{\alpha_1} + \frac{\alpha_2^2}{2\alpha_1(\omega_{\mathrm{m}} - k_2)} \right|$$

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Two driving frequencies  $k_1$ , and  $k_2$ , with amplitude  $\alpha_1$ , and  $\alpha_2$  Destruction effect:  $k_1 = \omega_{\rm m}$ ,  $|\alpha_2| \gg \sqrt{2\omega_{\rm m}|\alpha_1(k_2-\omega_{\rm m})|} \equiv \alpha_{2,\rm C}$ 

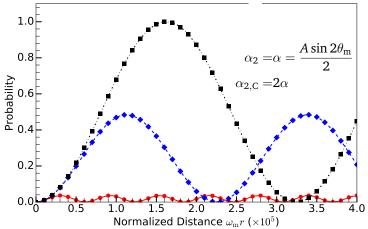


Grid lines: amplitude predicted using  $1/(1+D^{\prime 2})$ 

$\alpha_2, \kappa_1$ values				
Dashed	dotted	dash-dotted	solid	
$10^{-2} \omega_{\rm m}, 10 \omega_{\rm m}$	$10^{-2}\omega_{\rm m}, 10^{-1}\omega_{\rm m}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-2} \omega_{\rm m}, 10 \omega_{\rm m}$	$5 \times 10^{-2} \omega_{\rm m}, 10^{-1} \omega_{\rm m}$	

# RABI FORMULA WORKS





Lines: Rabi formula Dots, diamonds, triangles, and squares are for  $k=\omega_{\rm m}$ ,  $k=(1-2\times 10^{-5})\omega_{\rm m}$ , and  $k=(1-10^{-4})\omega_{\rm m}$  respectively.

# PARAMETERS USED FOR VACUUM OSCILLATIONS

$$\begin{array}{l} \theta_{12}=33.36/180\pi;\,\theta_{13}=8.66/180\pi;\,\theta_{23}=40/180*\pi;\,\delta_{cp}=0;\\ m_1^2=0.01;\,m_2^2=m_1^2+0.000079;\,E=1\text{MeV} \end{array}$$

# SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER POTENTIAL

Matter potential

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\sin(kx),$$

Hamiltonian in new basis

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{H}} = -\frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2}\sigma_{3} - \frac{\delta\lambda(\mathbf{x})}{2}\sin 2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{2i\eta(\mathbf{x})} \\ e^{-2i\eta(\mathbf{x})} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2}\sigma_{3} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & h \\ h^{*} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hamiltonian in New Basis 
$$h \equiv -\frac{\delta \lambda(x)}{2} e^{2i\eta(x)}$$

$$= \frac{i}{4} \left[ \exp\left(ikx + \frac{i\cos 2\theta_{\rm m} \frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)}{\cos(kx)}\right) - \exp\left(-ikx + \frac{i\cos 2\theta_{\rm m} \frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)}{\cos(kx)}\right) \right]$$

# SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER POTENTIAL

Off-diagonal Term in Our System 
$$\widetilde{\mathbf{H}} = -\frac{\omega_{\mathrm{m}}}{2}\sigma_{3} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & h \\ h^{*} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 
$$h \propto \left[ \exp \left( ikx + \frac{i\cos2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}\frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)}{-i\cos2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}\frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)} \right) \right]$$
 
$$-\exp \left( -ikx + \frac{i\cos2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}\frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)}{-i\cos2\theta_{\mathrm{m}}\frac{A}{k}\cos(kx)} \right) \right]$$

Jacobi-Anger expansion (Kneller et al, 2013)

$$e^{i\beta\cos(kx)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n J_n(\beta) e^{inkx},$$

where  $J_n(\beta)$  are Bessel's functions of the first kind.

## SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE

#### Why Does It Work?

$$J_n(n \operatorname{sech} \alpha) \sim \frac{e^{-n(\alpha - \tanh \alpha)}}{\sqrt{2\pi n \tanh \alpha}}, \quad ext{for large } n$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\Gamma \propto \hat{B}_n \propto rac{e^{-n(lpha - anh lpha)}}{\sqrt{2\pi n anh lpha}}$$

Small perturbation  $\Rightarrow$  Small  $\hat{A} \Rightarrow$  Large  $\alpha \Rightarrow$  Drops fast at large n.

# SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE

### Transition Probability

$$P_{ ext{L}
ightarrow ext{H}}^{(n)} = rac{\left|\hat{B}_n
ight|^2}{\left|\hat{B}_n
ight|^2 + (n\hat{k}-1)^2} \sin^2\left(rac{q^{(n)}}{2}x
ight),$$

where

$$q^{(n)}=\sqrt{\left|\Gamma^{(n)}\right|^2+(n\hat{k}-1)^2},\quad ext{frequency of oscillations} \ \Gamma^{(n)}=\left|\hat{B}_n\right|,\quad ext{width of resonance }(n\hat{k} ext{ as parameter})$$

Resonance conditions

$$\hat{k} \sim \frac{1}{n}$$

# TWO-FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE

#### Matter Profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + \delta\lambda(x), \quad \delta\lambda(x) = A_1 \sin(k_1 x) + A_2 \sin(k_2 x).$$

# TWO-FREQUENCY MATTER P

$$\hat{h} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \hat{B}_n e^{i(n\hat{k}-1)\hat{x}},$$

#### Hamiltonian Off-diagonal Element

Apply Jacobi-Anger expansion,

$$\hat{h} = \sum_{n_1 = -\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2 = -\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \hat{B}_{n_1, n_2}(\hat{k}_1, \hat{k}_2) e^{i(n_1 \hat{k}_1 + n_2 \hat{k}_2 - 1)\hat{x}},$$

where

$$\begin{split} \hat{B}_{n_1,n_2}(\hat{k}_1,\hat{k}_2) \\ &= -(-i)^{n_1+n_2}(n_1\hat{k}_1 + n_2\hat{k}_2)J_{n_1}\left(\frac{\hat{A}_1\cos 2\theta_{\rm m}}{\hat{k}_1}\right)J_{n_2}\left(\frac{\hat{A}_2\cos 2\theta_{\rm m}}{\hat{k}_2}\right) \end{split}$$

#### Which terms are important?

### SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE REVISITED

### Matter profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx),$$

$k_1=\omega_{ m m}$					
$\overline{n}$	D	$D_1'$	$2\pi\omega_{ m m}/\Omega_n$		
1	0	-	$3.2 \times 10^{5}$		
-1	$10^{5}$	$4.8 \times 10^{-6}$	3.1		
2	$1.1 \times 10^{9}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-14}$	6.3		
-2	$3.4 \times 10^{9}$	$6.9 \times 10^{-15}$	2.1		

## SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE REVISITED

#### Matter profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx),$$

	$k_1 = (1 -$	$2 \times 10^{-}$	$^{-5})\omega_{ m m}$
$\overline{n}$	D	$D_1'$	$2\pi\omega_{ m m}/\Omega_n$
1	1	-	$2.2 \times 10^{5}$
-1	$10^{5}$	1	3.1
2	$1.1 \times 10^{9}$	1	6.3
-2	$3.4 \times 10^{9}$	1	2.1

# SINGLE FREQUENCY MATTER PROFILE REVISITED

#### Matter profile

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda_0 + A\cos(kx),$$

$k_1 = (1 - 10^{-4})\omega_{\mathrm{m}}$					
n	D	$D_1'$	$2\pi\omega_{ m m}/\Omega_n$		
1	5.2	-	$6.2 \times 10^4$		
-1	$10^{5}$	5.2	3.1		
<b>2</b>	$1.1 \times 10^{9}$	5.2	6.3		
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### CASTLE WALL MATTER PROFILE

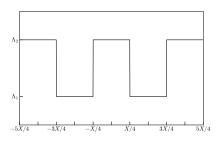
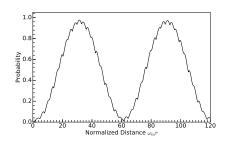


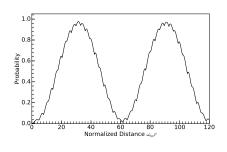
Figure: Castle wall matter profile



### CASTLE WALL MATTER PROFILE

Table: Relative detuning of each frequency.

$\{n_1,n_2\}$	D	$D_{\{1,0\}}'$
$\{1,0\}$ $\{-1,0\}$ $\{0,1\}$ $\{2,0\}$	$0$ $48$ $1.5 \times 10^{2}$ $2.4 \times 10^{2}$	$\begin{array}{c} \text{-} \\ 1.0 \times 10^{-2} \\ 1.1 \times 10^{-3} \\ 2.0 \times 10^{-4} \end{array}$

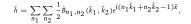


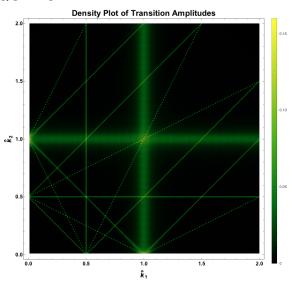
#### Resonance Lines

There are still resonances, i.e., (almost) zero phases, on lines

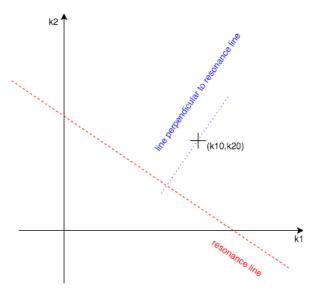
$$n_{1,0}\hat{k}_1 + n_{2,0}\hat{k}_2 - 1 = 0$$

in  $\{\hat{k}_1, \hat{k}_2\}$  plane.  $\Rightarrow$  Resonance width for each point on resonance lines.





Density plot of transition amplitudes calculated using only one term out of the whole summation in Hamiltonian.  $n_1, n_2 \in [-2, 2]$ 



Resonance line, distance to resonance, and width

#### Width

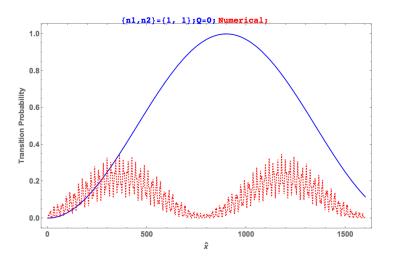
$$\Gamma_2 = rac{\hat{B}_{n_1,n_2}(\hat{k}_{1,\mathrm{intercept}},\hat{k}_{2,\mathrm{intercept}})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}}.$$

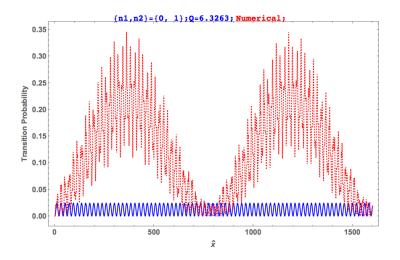
#### Distance to Resonance Line

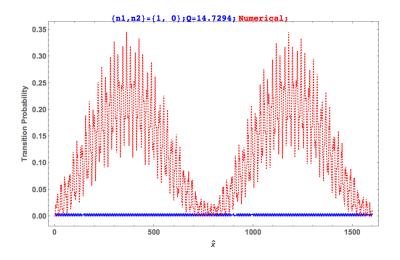
$$d = \frac{|n_1\hat{k}_{10} + n_2\hat{k}_{20} - 1|}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}}.$$

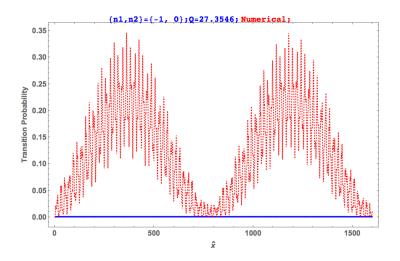
#### Distance to Resonance Width Ratio

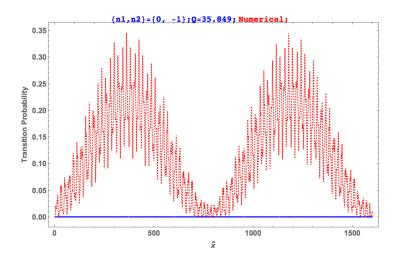
$$Q_2 = \frac{d}{\Gamma_2}.$$

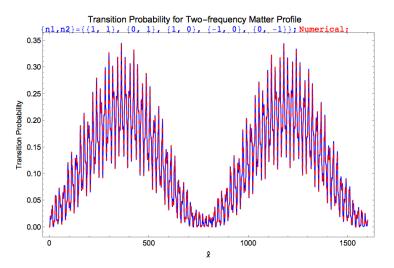












### BESSEL'S FUNCTION

$$J_n(eta) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m! \Gamma(m+n+1)} \left(\frac{eta}{2}\right)^{2m+n}$$

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