

Fundamentals of collective neutrino oscillations

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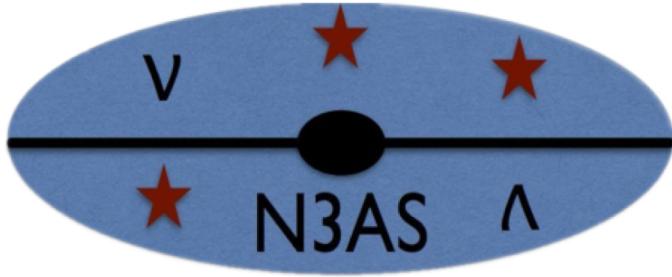
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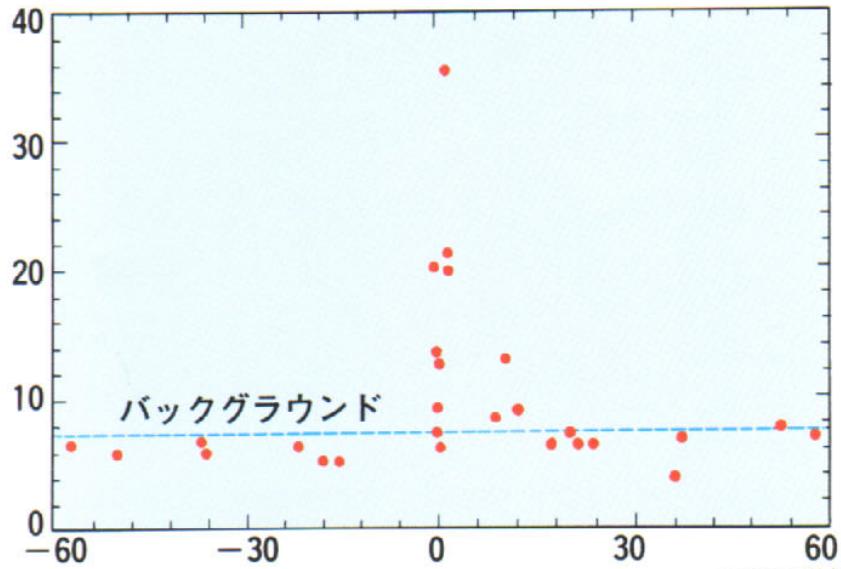
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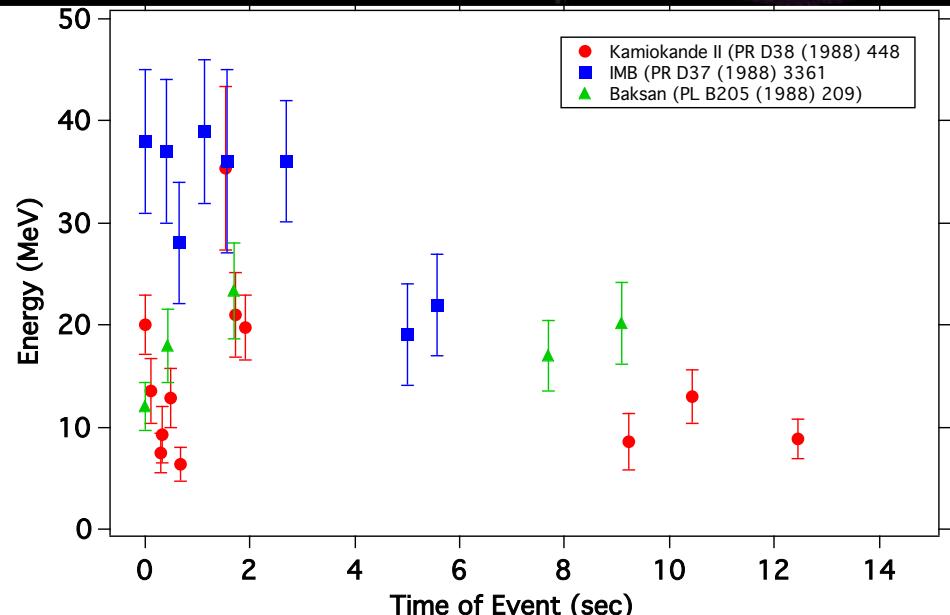
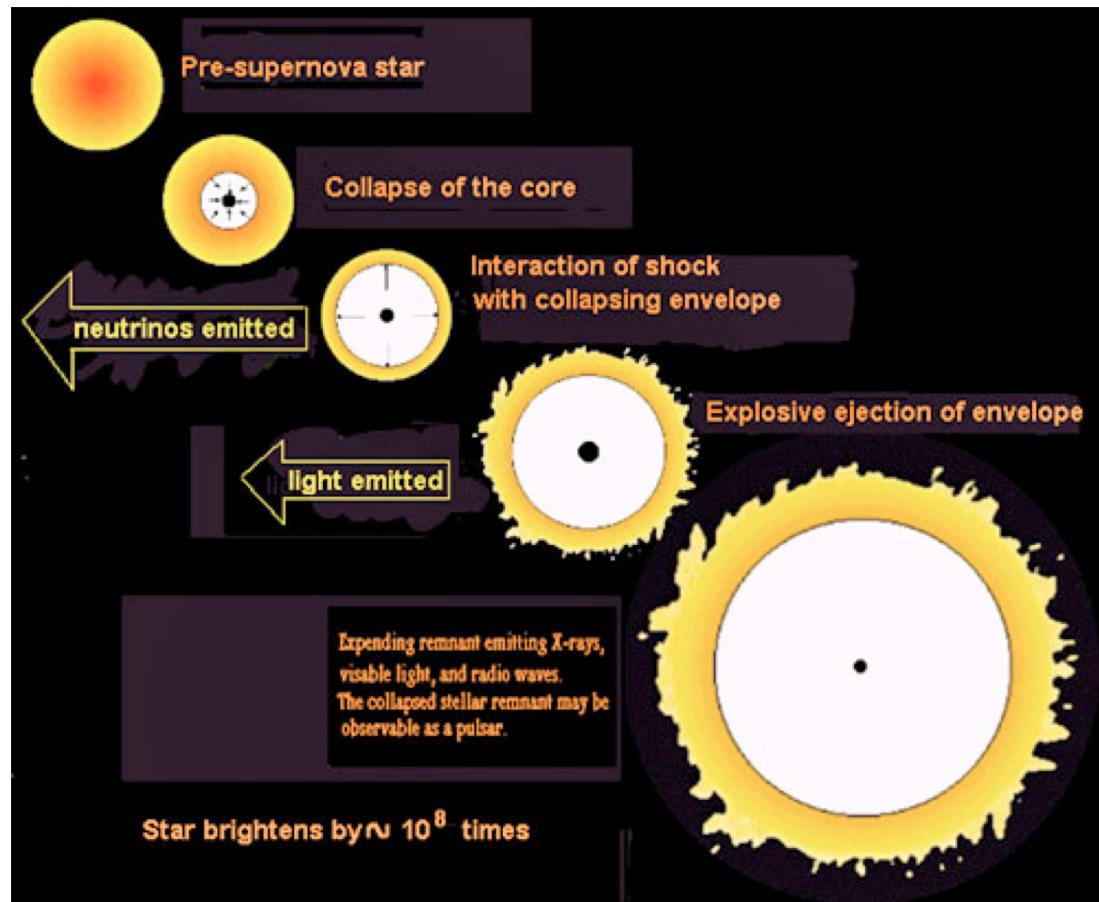
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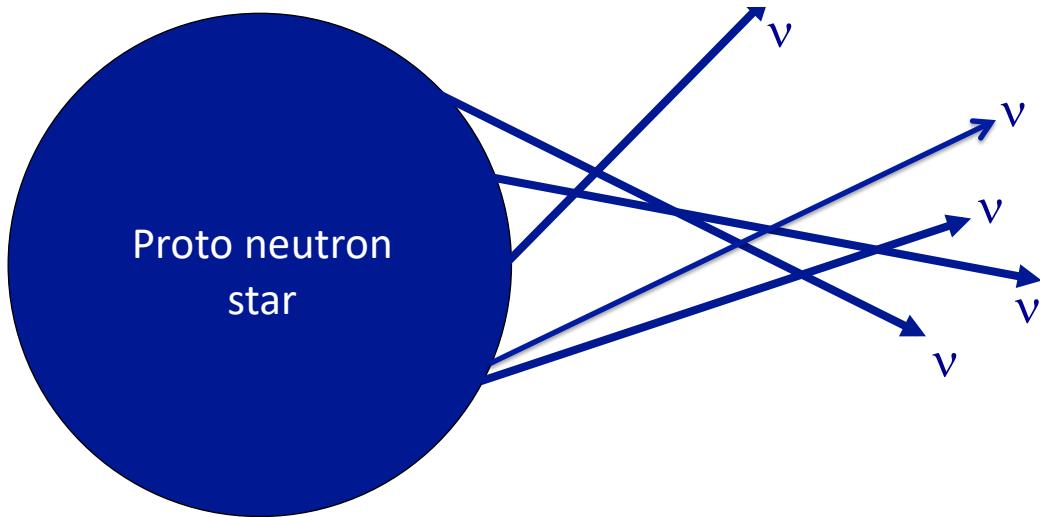
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Neutrinos from core-collapse supernovae



- $M_{\text{prog}} \geq 8 M_{\text{sun}} \Rightarrow \Delta E \approx 10^{53} \text{ ergs} \approx 10^{59} \text{ MeV}$
- 99% of the energy is carried away by neutrinos and antineutrinos with $10 \leq E_{\nu} \leq 30 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow 10^{58} \text{ neutrinos}$





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 $\sim 10^{58}$ Neutrinos!

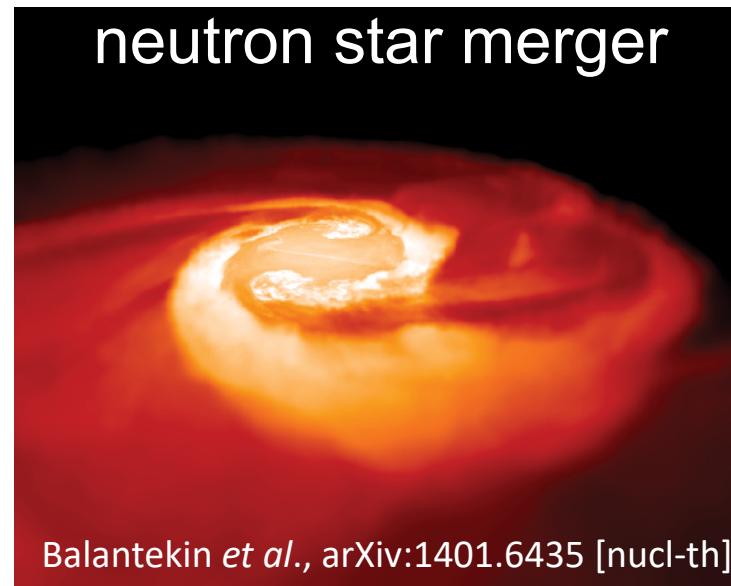
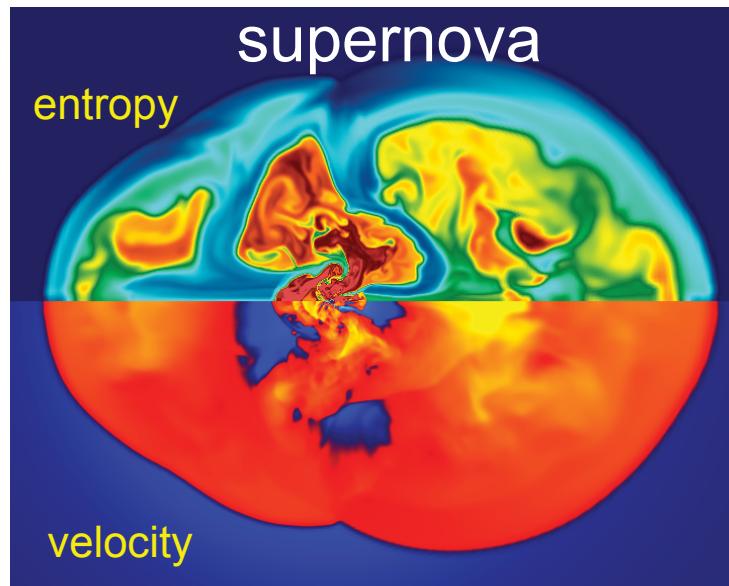
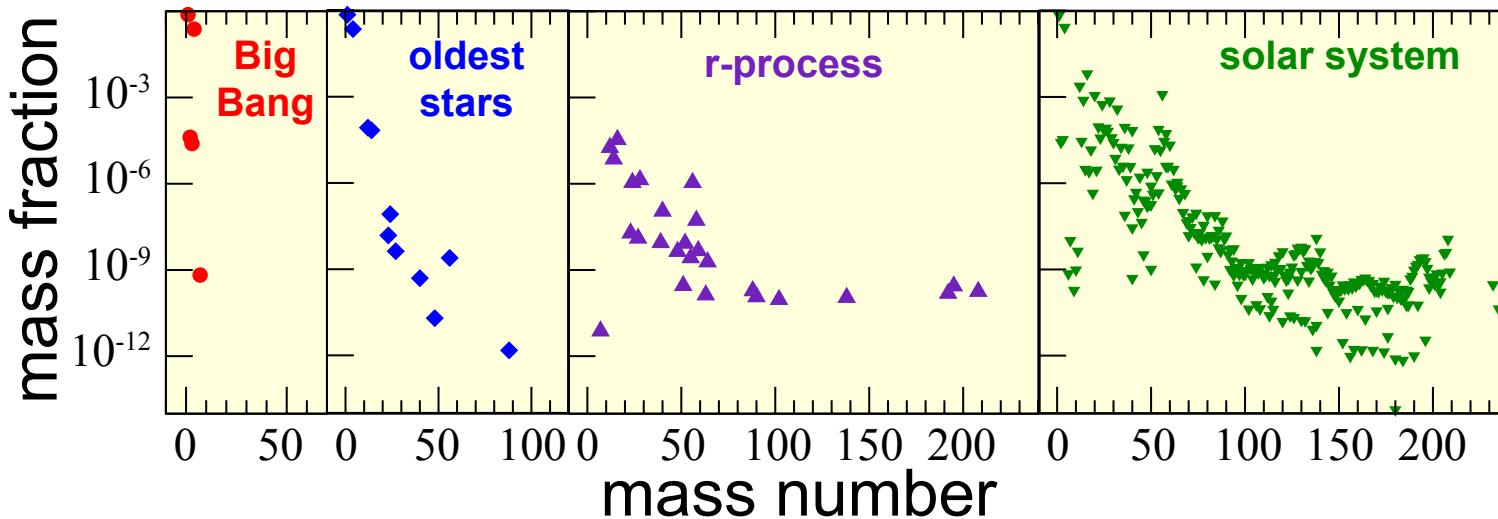
This necessitates including the effects of νν interactions!

$$H = \underbrace{\sum a^\dagger a}_{\nu \text{ oscillations MSW effect}} + \underbrace{\sum (1 - \cos \varphi) a^\dagger a^\dagger a a}_{\text{neutrino-neutrino interactions}}$$

The second term makes the physics of a neutrino gas in a core-collapse supernova a very interesting many-body problem, driven by weak interactions.

Neutrino-neutrino interactions lead to novel collective and emergent effects, such as conserved quantities and interesting features in the neutrino energy spectra (spectral "swaps" or "splits").

The origin of elements

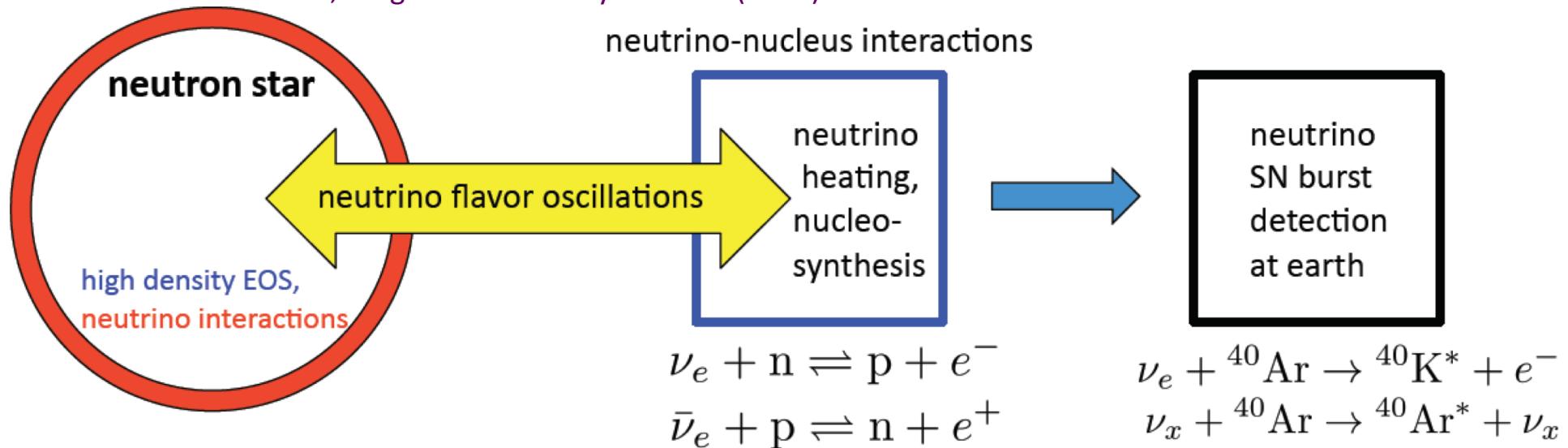


Neutrinos not only play a crucial role in the dynamics of these sites, but they also control the value of the electron fraction, the parameter determining the yields of the r-process.

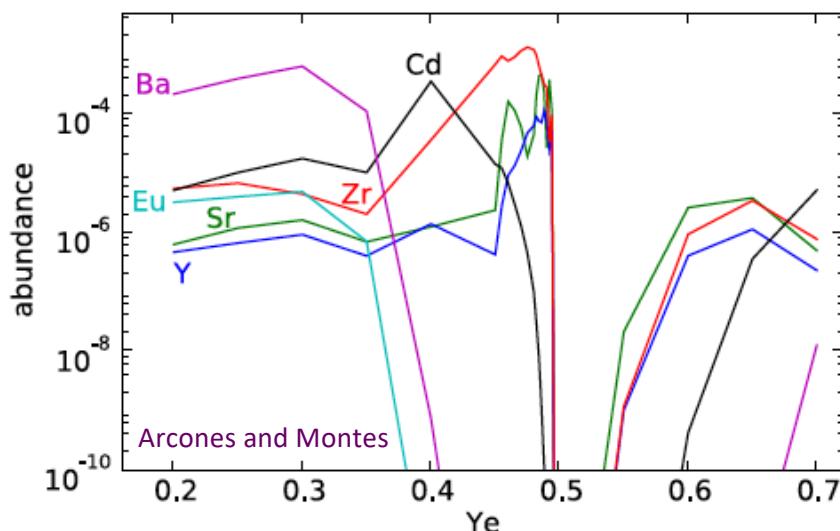
Possible sites for the r-process

Understanding a core-collapse supernova requires answers to a variety of questions some of which need to be answered, both theoretically and experimentally.

Balantekin and Fuller, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. **71** 162 (2013)



$$Y_e = \frac{N_p}{N_p + N_n} = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda_p / \lambda_n}$$



Collective Neutrino Oscillations

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \omega_{\mathbf{p}} \vec{B} \cdot \vec{J}_{\mathbf{p}} + \frac{\sqrt{2} G_F}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}} (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \vec{J}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \vec{J}_{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\vec{B} = (0, 0, -1)_{\text{mass}} = (\sin 2\theta, 0, -\cos 2\theta)_{\text{flavor}}, \quad \omega_p = \frac{\delta m^2}{2p}$$

$$J_{\mathbf{p}}^+ = a_1^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_2(\mathbf{p})$$

$$J_{\mathbf{p}}^- = a_2^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_1(\mathbf{p})$$

$$J_{\mathbf{p}}^z = \frac{1}{2} \left(a_1^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_1(\mathbf{p}) - a_2^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_2(\mathbf{p}) \right)$$

$$a_e(\mathbf{p}) = \cos \theta a_1(\mathbf{p}) + \sin \theta a_2(\mathbf{p})$$

$$a_x(\mathbf{p}) = -\sin \theta a_1(\mathbf{p}) + \cos \theta a_2(\mathbf{p})$$

Two of the adiabatic eigenstates of this equation are easy to find in the single-angle approximation:

$$H = \sum_p \omega_p \vec{B} \cdot \vec{J}_p + \mu(r) \vec{J} \cdot \vec{J}$$

$$|j, +j\rangle = |N/2, N/2\rangle = |\nu_1, \dots, \nu_1\rangle$$

$$|j, -j\rangle = |N/2, -N/2\rangle = |\nu_2, \dots, \nu_2\rangle$$

$$E_{\pm N/2} = \mp \sum_p \omega_p \frac{N_p}{2} + \mu \frac{N}{2} \left(\frac{N}{2} + 1 \right)$$

To find the others will take a lot more work

What is the mean-field approximation?

$$[\hat{O}_1, \hat{O}_2] \approx 0$$

$$\hat{O}_1 \hat{O}_2 \approx \hat{O}_1 \langle \hat{O}_2 \rangle + \langle \hat{O}_1 \rangle \hat{O}_2 - \langle \hat{O}_1 \hat{O}_2 \rangle$$

Expectation values should be calculated with a state $|\Psi\rangle$ chosen to satisfy:

$$\langle \hat{O}_1 \hat{O}_2 \rangle = \langle \hat{O}_1 \rangle \langle \hat{O}_2 \rangle$$

This reduces the two-body problem to a one-body problem:

$$a^\dagger a^\dagger a a \Rightarrow \langle a^\dagger a \rangle a^\dagger a + \langle a^\dagger a^\dagger \rangle a a + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}G_F}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}} (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \vec{J}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \vec{J}_{\mathbf{q}} \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}G_F}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}} (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \langle \vec{J}_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle \cdot \vec{J}_{\mathbf{q}}$$

Mean field

Neutrino-neutrino interaction

$$\bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma^\mu \psi_{\nu L} \bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma_\mu \psi_{\nu L} \Rightarrow \bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma^\mu \psi_{\nu L} \langle \bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma_\mu \psi_{\nu L} \rangle + \dots$$

Antineutrino-antineutrino interaction

$$\bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma^\mu \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma_\mu \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} \Rightarrow \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma^\mu \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} \langle \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma_\mu \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} \rangle + \dots$$

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Neutrino-antineutrino can also have an additional mean field

$$\bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma^\mu \psi_{\nu L} \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma_\mu \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} \Rightarrow \bar{\psi}_{\nu L} \gamma^\mu \langle \psi_{\nu L} \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma_\mu \rangle \psi_{\bar{\nu} R} + \dots$$

However note that

$$\langle \psi_{\nu L} \bar{\psi}_{\bar{\nu} R} \gamma_\mu \rangle \propto m_\nu \quad (\text{negligible if the medium is isotropic})$$

Fuller *et al.*
Volpe

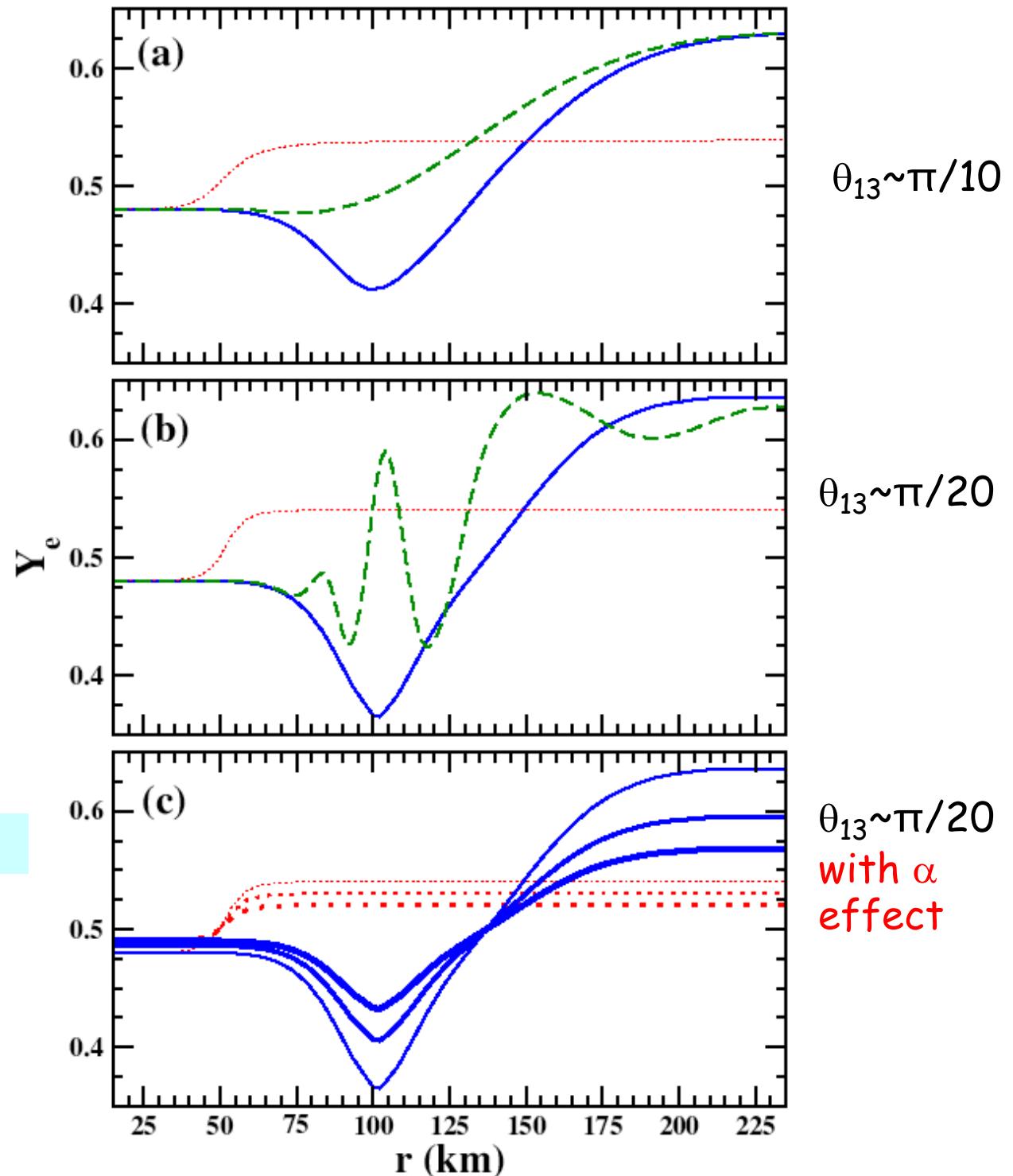
An example of an early mean field calculation

Equilibrium electron fraction with the inclusion of $\nu\nu$ interactions

$$L^{51} = 0.001, 0.1, 50$$

Balantekin and Yuksel, 2005

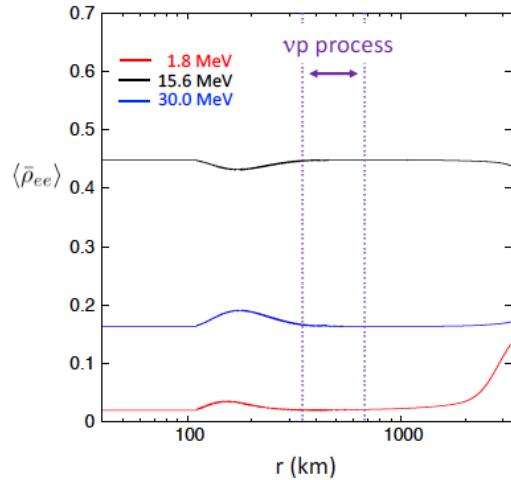
$$X_\alpha = 0, 0.3, 0.5 \text{ (thin, medium, thick lines)}$$



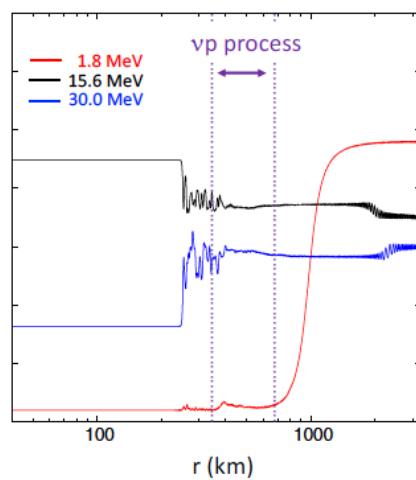
Collective Oscillations within mean field for the vp process

Sasaki et al., Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) 043013

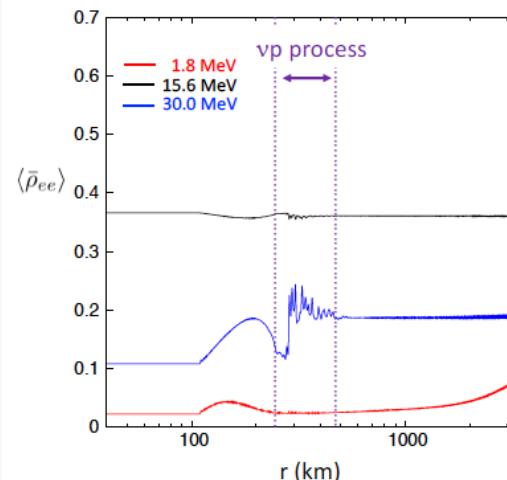
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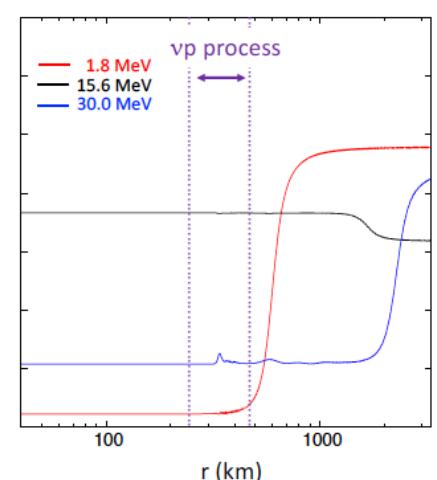
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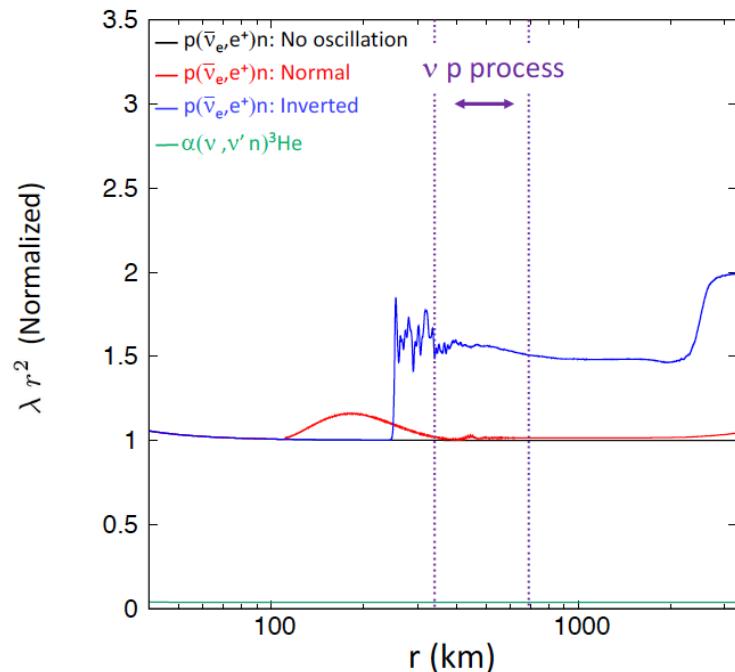
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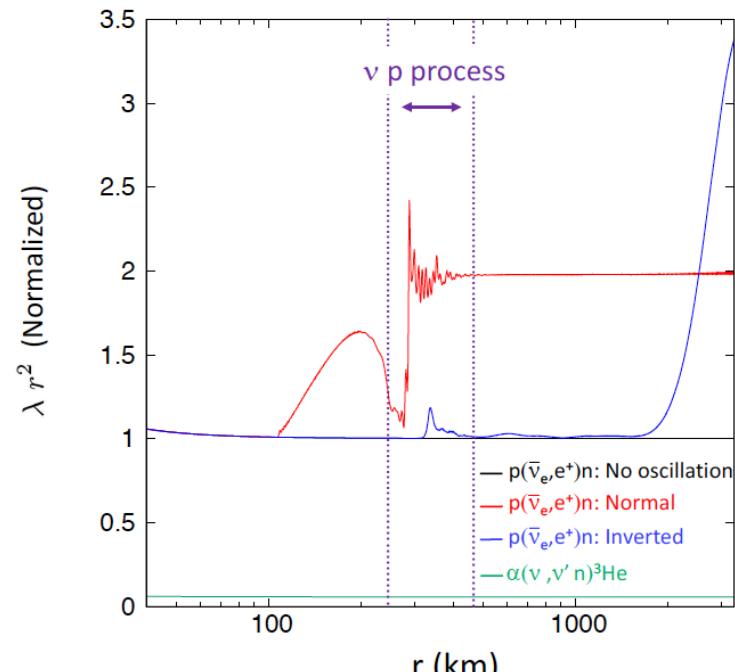
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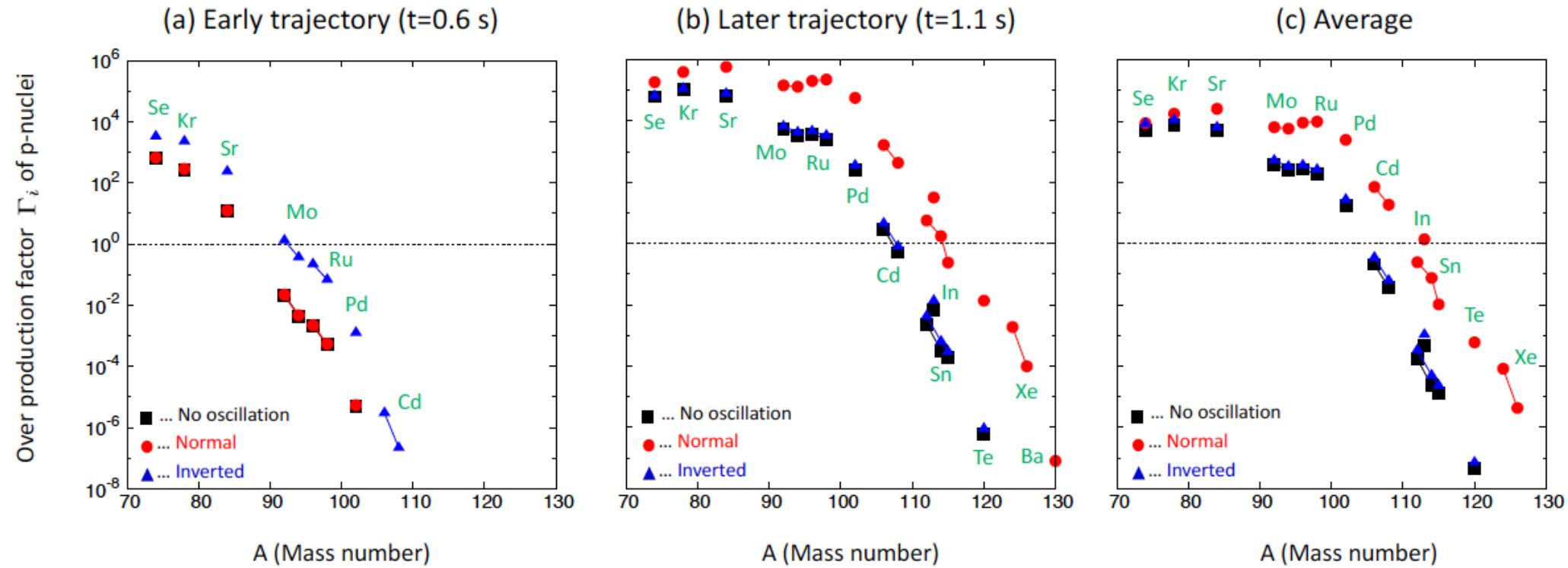
$p(\bar{\nu}_e, e^+)n$: No oscillation
 $p(\bar{\nu}_e, e^+)n$: Normal
 $p(\bar{\nu}_e, e^+)n$: Inverted
 $\alpha(v, v' n)^3\text{He}$



Early outflow ($t=0.6$ s.)



Later outflow ($t=1.1$ s.)



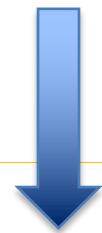
Impact of the production of p-nuclei

Sasaki *et al.*, Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) 043013

See also Wu *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D91 (2015) 065016

This problem is “exactly solvable” in the single-angle approximation

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Pehlivan, Balantekin, Kajino, Yoshida, PRD**84** (2011) 065008

$$H = \sum_p \omega_p \vec{B} \cdot \vec{J}_p + \mu(r) \vec{J} \cdot \vec{J}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2\mu} - \sum_{p=1}^M \frac{j_p}{\omega_p - \zeta_\alpha} = \sum_{\substack{\beta=1 \\ \beta \neq \alpha}}^{\kappa} \frac{1}{\zeta_\alpha - \zeta_\beta}$$

$$|\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_\kappa\rangle = \mathcal{N}(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_\kappa) \left(\prod_{\alpha=1}^{\kappa} S_\alpha^- \right) |j, +j\rangle$$

$$\vec{S}(\zeta_\alpha) \equiv \sum_p \frac{\vec{J}_p}{\omega_p - \zeta_\alpha}$$

$$E = E_{+N/2} + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\kappa} \zeta_\alpha - \mu \kappa (N - \kappa + 1)$$

Recall that two of the adiabatic eigenstates of this equation are easy to find:

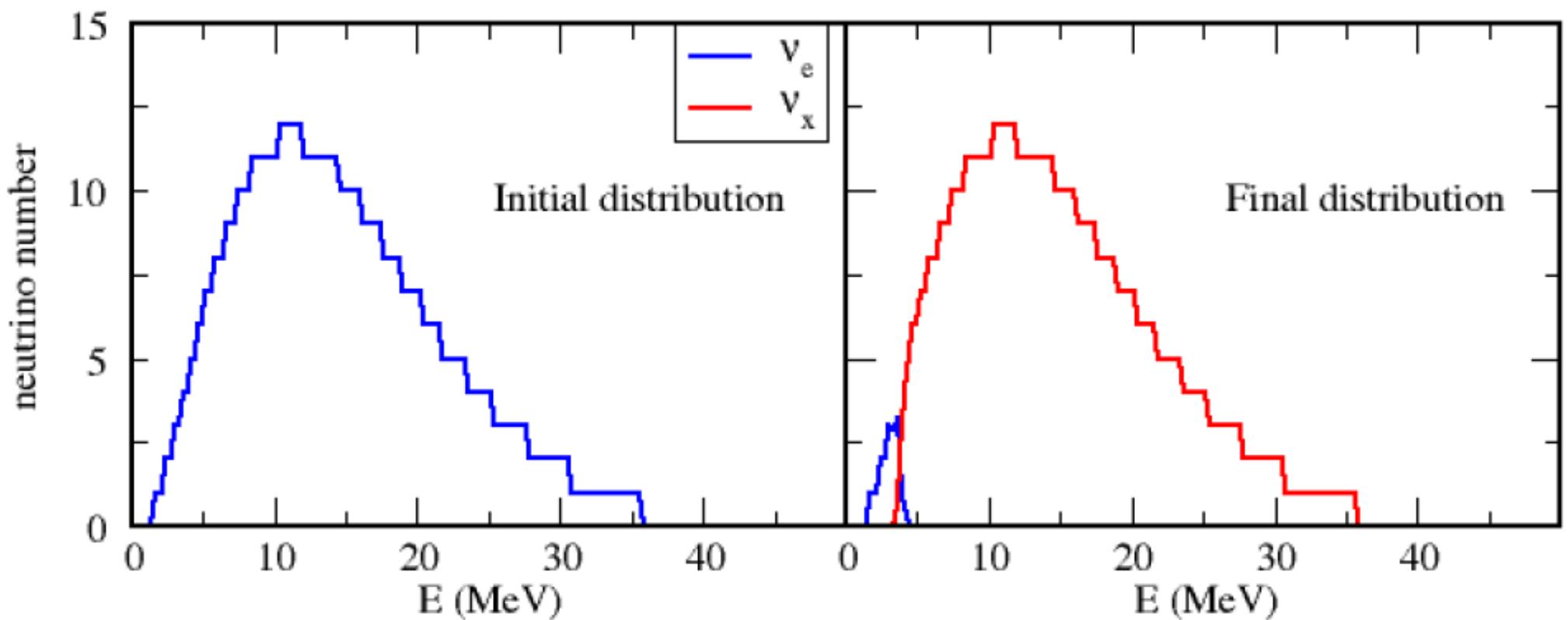
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Away from the mean-field: First adiabatic solution of the *exact* many-body Hamiltonian

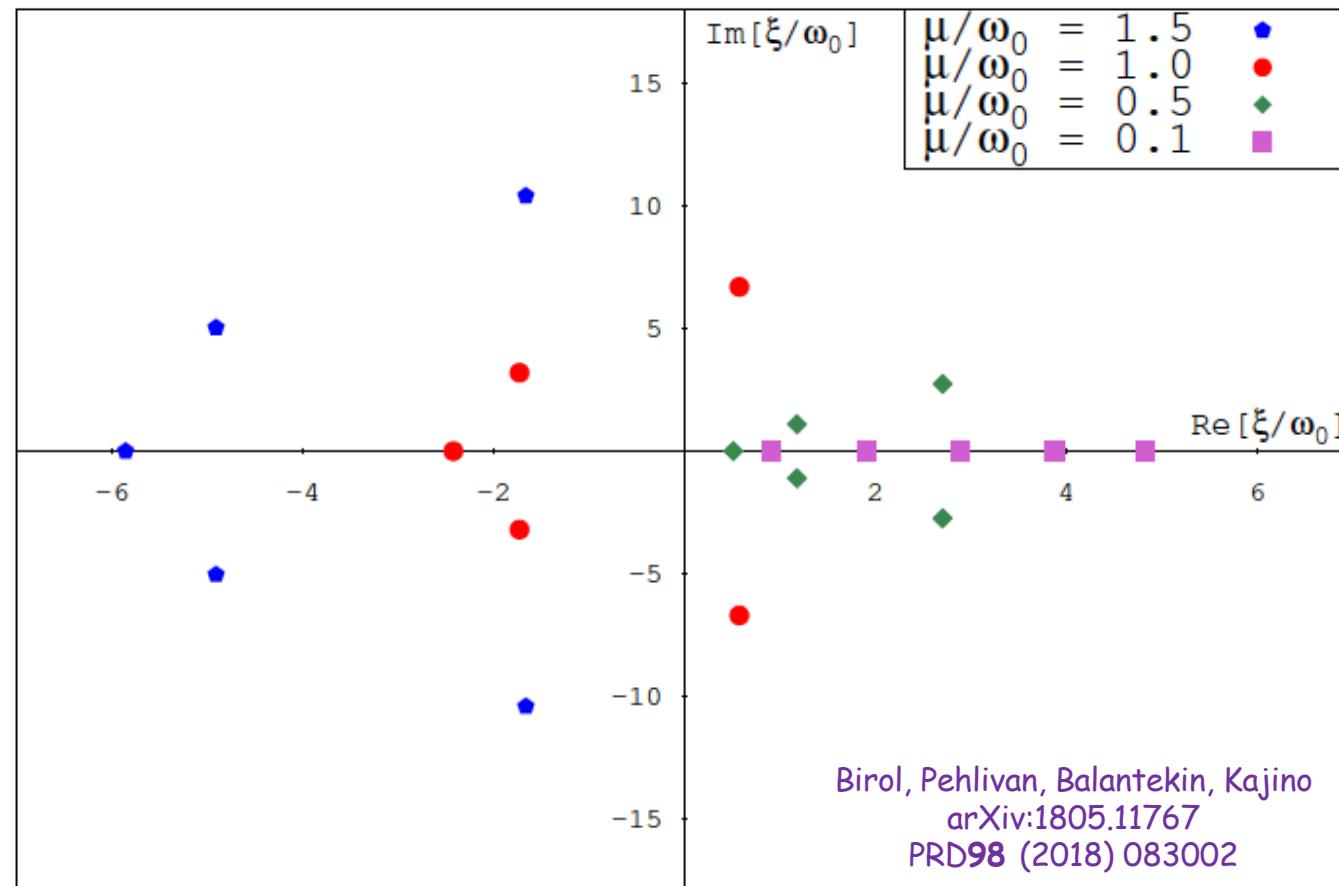


- Solutions of the Bethe ansatz equations for 250 neutrinos. Same behavior as the mean-field.
- Two flavors only
- Inverted hierarchy, no matter effect

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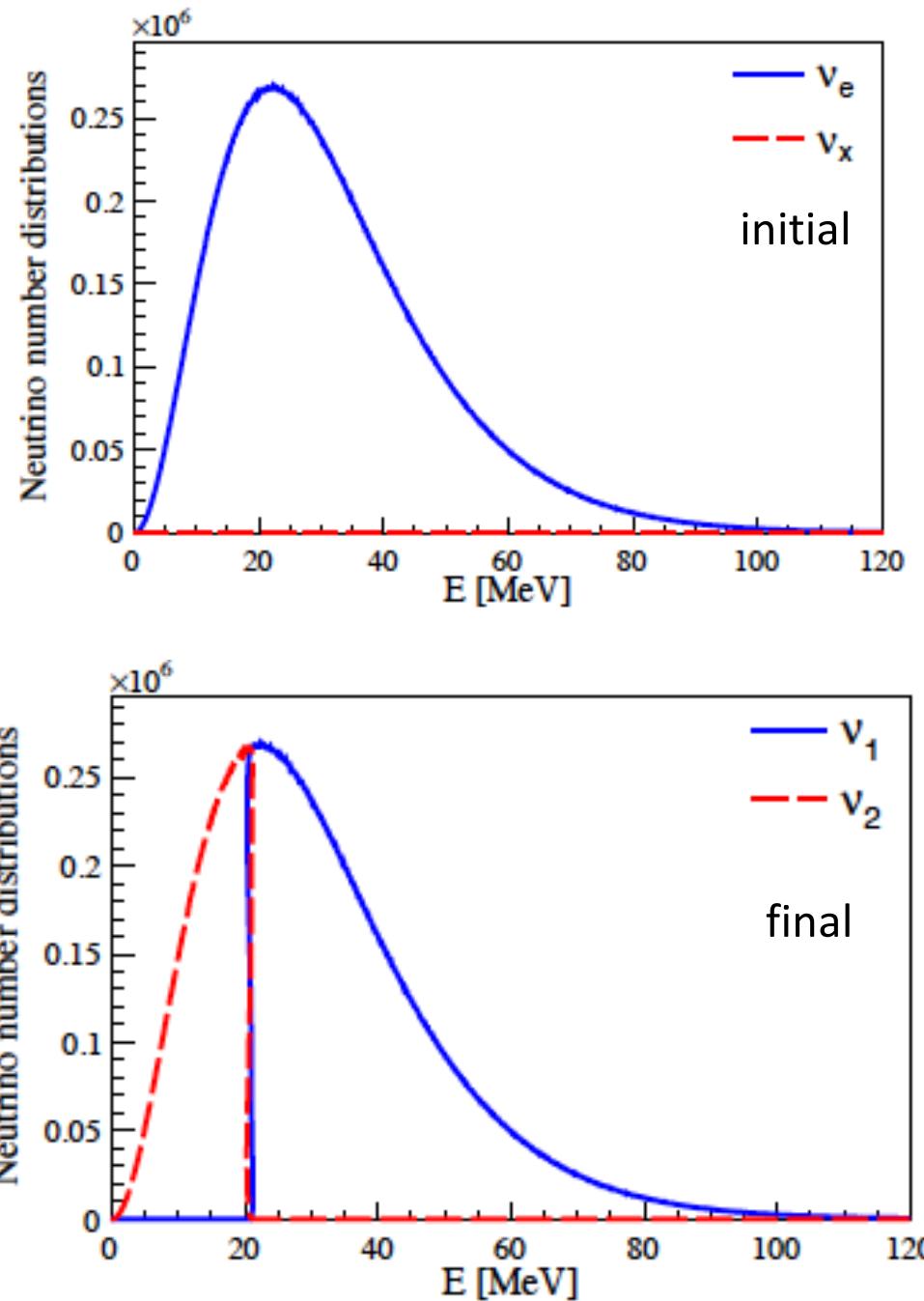
$$\mathsf{H} = \sum_{\omega} \omega \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{\omega} + \mu(r) \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

$$|\psi\rangle_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} = \sum_{m=-n/2}^{m=+n/2} c_m \left| \frac{n}{2}, m \right\rangle \longrightarrow |\psi\rangle_{\mu \rightarrow 0} = \sum_m c_m \phi_m \left| \underbrace{\nu_1, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_1}_{n/2+m}; \underbrace{\nu_2, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_2}_{n/2-m} \right\rangle$$

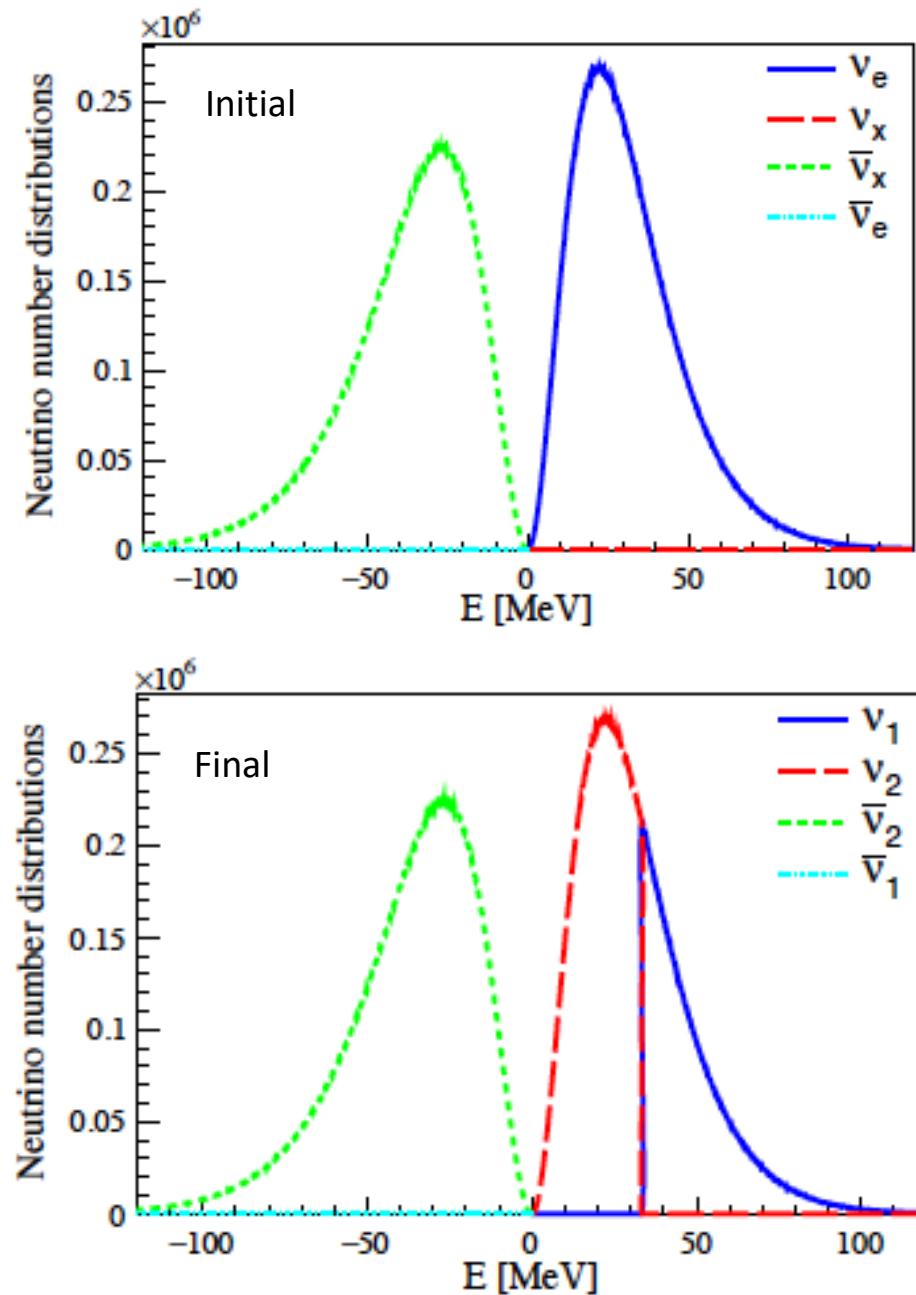


Adiabatic evolution of an initial thermal distribution ($T = 10$ MeV) of electron neutrinos. 10^8 neutrinos distributed over 1200 energy bins with solar neutrino parameters and normal hierarchy.

Birol, Pehlivan, Balantekin, Kajino
arXiv:1805.11767
PRD98 (2018) 083002



Adiabatic evolution of an initial thermal distribution of electron neutrinos ($T=10$ MeV) and antineutrinos of another flavor ($T=12$ MeV). 10^8 neutrinos distributed over 1200 energy bins both for neutrinos and antineutrinos with solar neutrino parameters and normal hierarchy.



Birol, Pehlivan, Balantekin, Kajino

A more practical approach

$$\Lambda(\lambda) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\kappa} \frac{1}{\lambda - \zeta_{\alpha}}$$

$$\Lambda(\lambda)^2 + \Lambda'(\lambda) + \frac{1}{\mu} \Lambda(\lambda) = \sum_{q=1}^M 2j_q \frac{\Lambda(\lambda) - \Lambda(\omega_q)}{\lambda - \omega_q}$$

$$\Lambda_p^2 + (1 - 2j_p)\Lambda'_p + \frac{1}{\mu} \Lambda_p = \sum_{\substack{q=1 \\ q \neq p}}^M 2j_q \frac{\Lambda_p - \Lambda_q}{\omega_p - \omega_q}, \quad \Lambda_k = \Lambda(\omega_k)$$

$$E = E_{N/2} - 2\mu \sum_{p=1}^M j_p \omega_p \Lambda_p.$$

These $\Lambda(\omega_p) = \Lambda_p$ are eigenvalues of the invariants, h_p :

$$h_p = -J_p^z + 2\mu \sum_{\substack{q=1 \\ q \neq p}}^N \frac{\mathbf{J}_p \cdot \mathbf{J}_q}{\omega_p - \omega_q}, \quad [h_p, h_q] = 0, p \neq q$$

$$\sum_p \omega_p h_p = - \sum_{p=1}^N \omega_p J_p^z + \mu \sum_{\substack{p,q=1 \\ p \neq q}}^N \mathbf{J}_p \cdot \mathbf{J}_q$$

$$h_p |\xi_1, \dots, \xi_\kappa\rangle = \left(2\mu \sum_{\substack{q=1 \\ q \neq p}}^N \frac{j_p j_q}{\omega_p - \omega_q} + j_p - 2\mu j_p \Lambda(\omega_p) \right) |\xi_1, \dots, \xi_\kappa\rangle$$

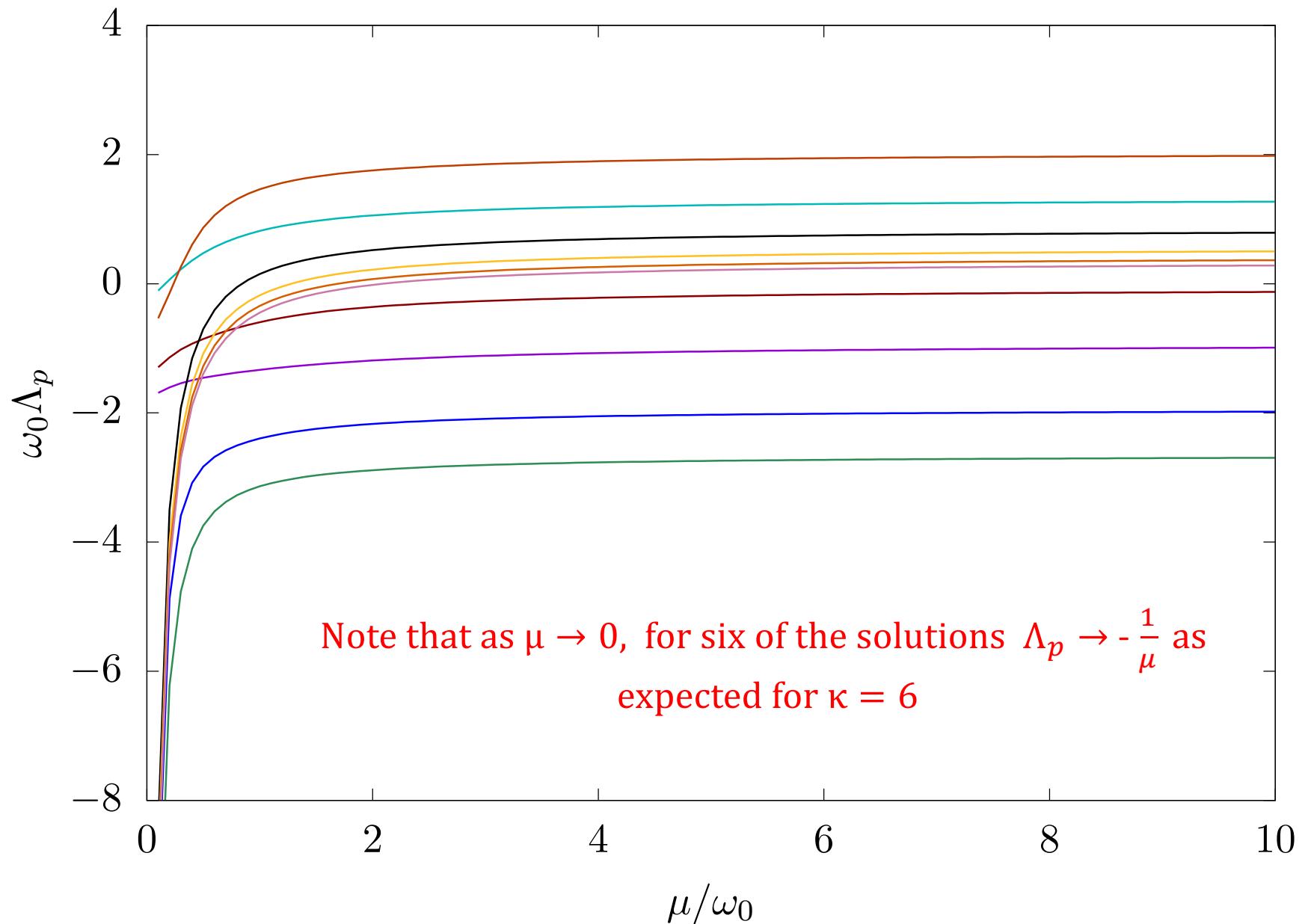
Adiabatic Eigenstates

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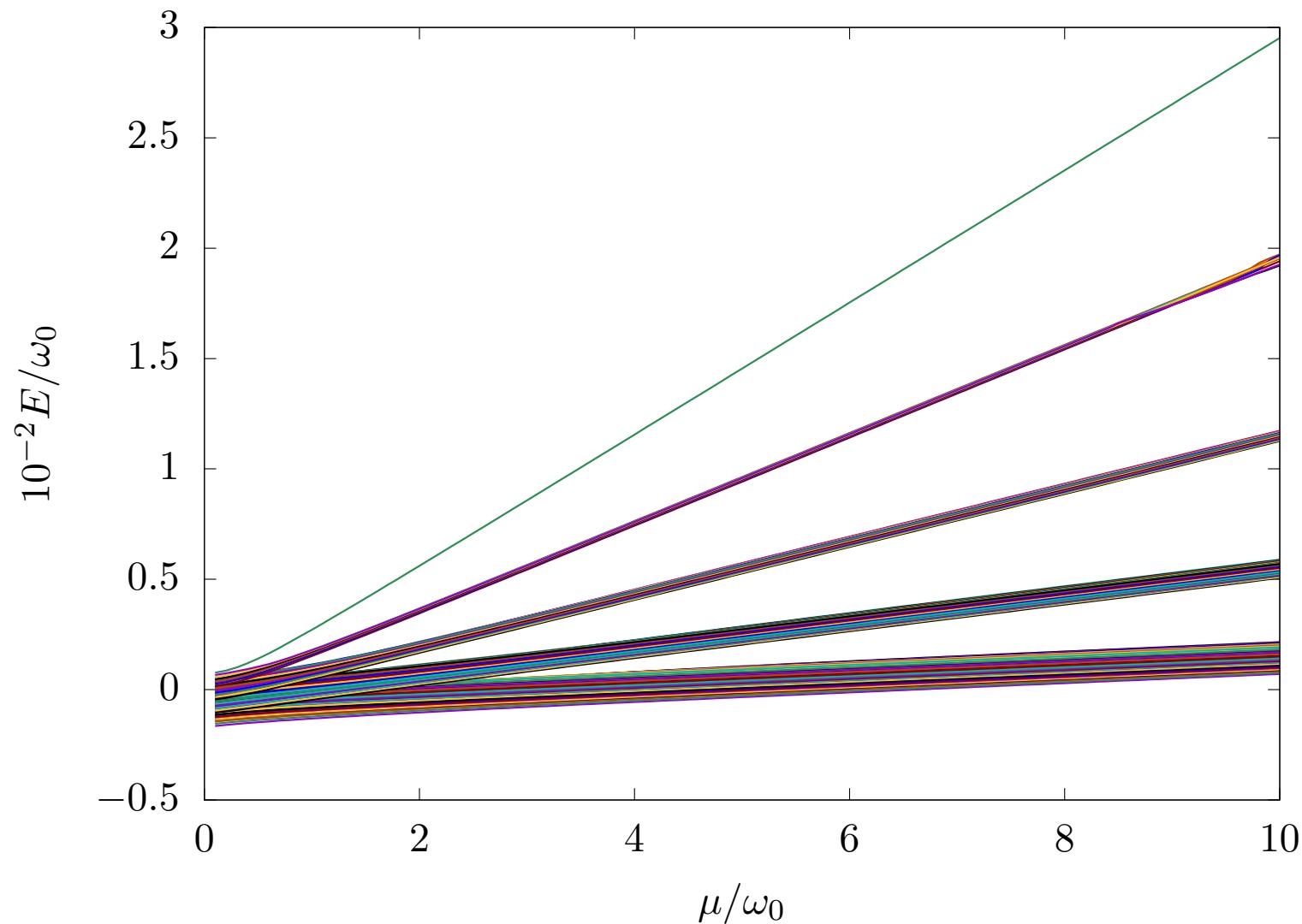
$$S_1^- S_2^- |j, +j\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{p,q=1 \\ p \neq q}}^M \left(\Lambda_p \Lambda_q + \frac{\Lambda_p - \Lambda_q}{\omega_p - \omega_q} \right) J_p^- J_q^- |j, +j\rangle$$

$$S_1^- S_2^- S_3^- |j, +j\rangle = \frac{1}{3!} \times \\ \sum_{\substack{p,q,r=1 \\ p,q,r \\ \text{distinct}}}^M \left[\Lambda_p \Lambda_q \Lambda_r + 3\Lambda_r \frac{\Lambda_p - \Lambda_q}{\omega_p - \omega_q} + \frac{2}{\omega_p - \omega_q} \left(\frac{\Lambda_p - \Lambda_r}{\omega_p - \omega_r} - \frac{\Lambda_q - \Lambda_r}{\omega_q - \omega_r} \right) \right] J_p^- J_q^- J_r^- |j, +j\rangle$$

One of the 210 solutions for $\kappa = 6$ for 10 neutrinos
in 10 bins with $\omega_p = p\omega_0$



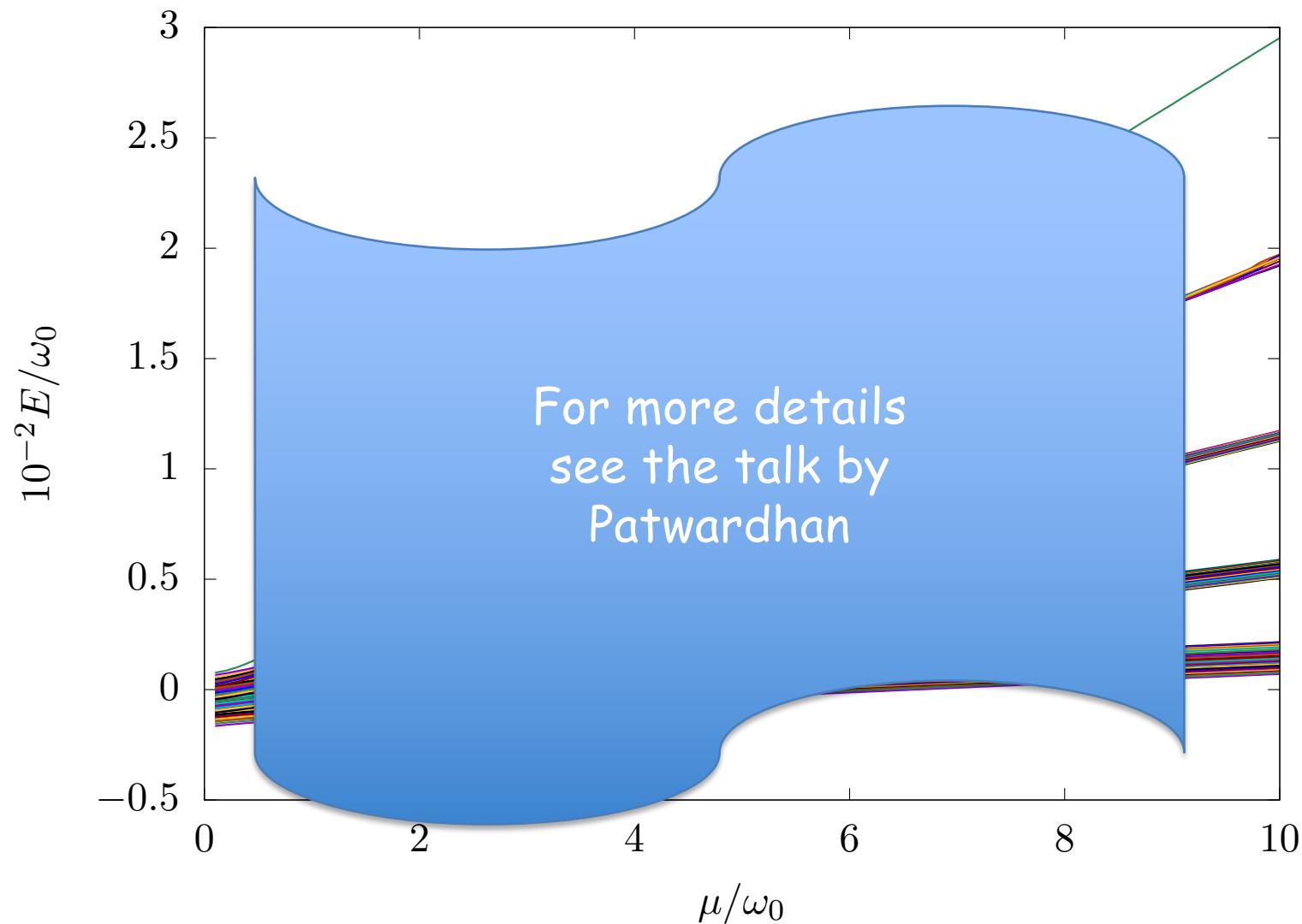
Energy eigenvalues for a system with 10 neutrinos in 10 bins
with $\omega_p = p\omega_0$ for $\kappa = 4$



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Patwardhan, Cervia, Balantekin,
Phys.Rev. D99, 123013 (2019)

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A system of N particles each of which can occupy k states (k = number of flavors)

Exact Solution → Mean-field approximation

Entangled and unentangled states → Only unentangled states

Dimension of Hilbert Space: k^N

Dimension of Hilbert Space: kN

von Neumann entropy

$$S = - \text{Tr} (\rho \log \rho)$$

	Pure State	Mixed State
Density matrix	$\rho^2 = \rho$	$\rho^2 \neq \rho$
Entropy	$S = 0$	$S \neq 0$

Polarization vector
for a two-level system

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{I} + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{P})$$

Pick one of the neutrinos and introduce the reduced density matrix for this neutrino (with label "b")

$$\tilde{\rho} = \rho_b = \sum_{a,c,d,\dots} \langle \nu_a, \nu_c, \nu_d, \dots | \rho | \nu_a, \nu_c, \nu_d, \dots \rangle$$

Partial Trace

$$\text{Tr}_2 \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \rho_{\uparrow\uparrow,\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\uparrow,\uparrow\downarrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\uparrow,\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\uparrow,\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \rho_{\uparrow\downarrow,\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\downarrow,\uparrow\downarrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\downarrow,\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\uparrow\downarrow,\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \rho_{\downarrow\uparrow,\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\uparrow,\uparrow\downarrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\uparrow,\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\uparrow,\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \rho_{\downarrow\downarrow,\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\downarrow,\uparrow\downarrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\downarrow,\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho_{\downarrow\downarrow,\downarrow\downarrow} \end{array} \right)$$

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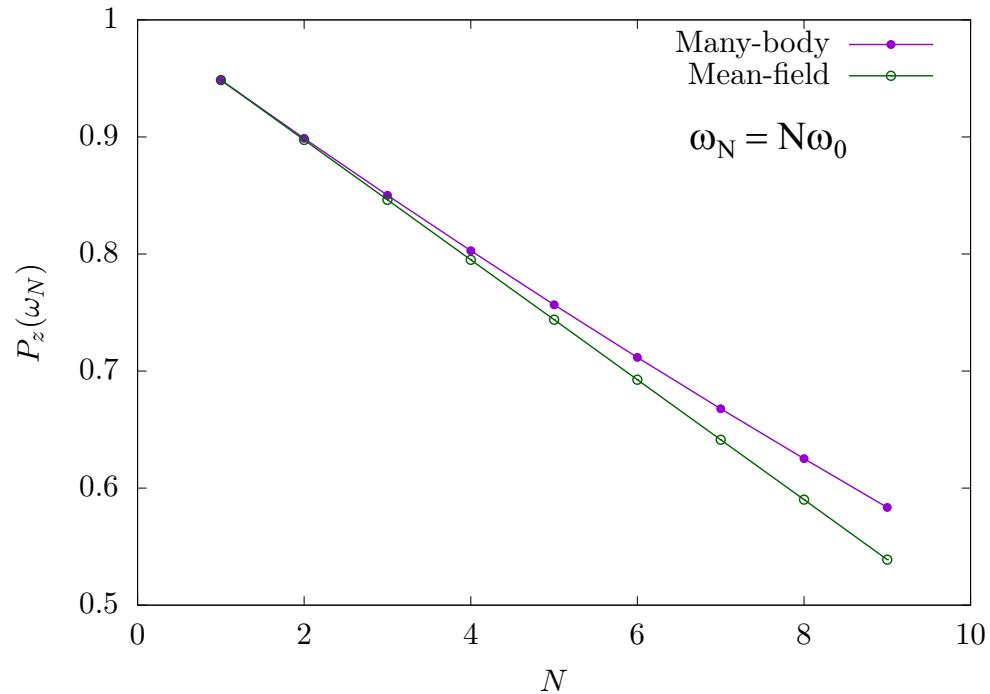
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Entanglement entropy

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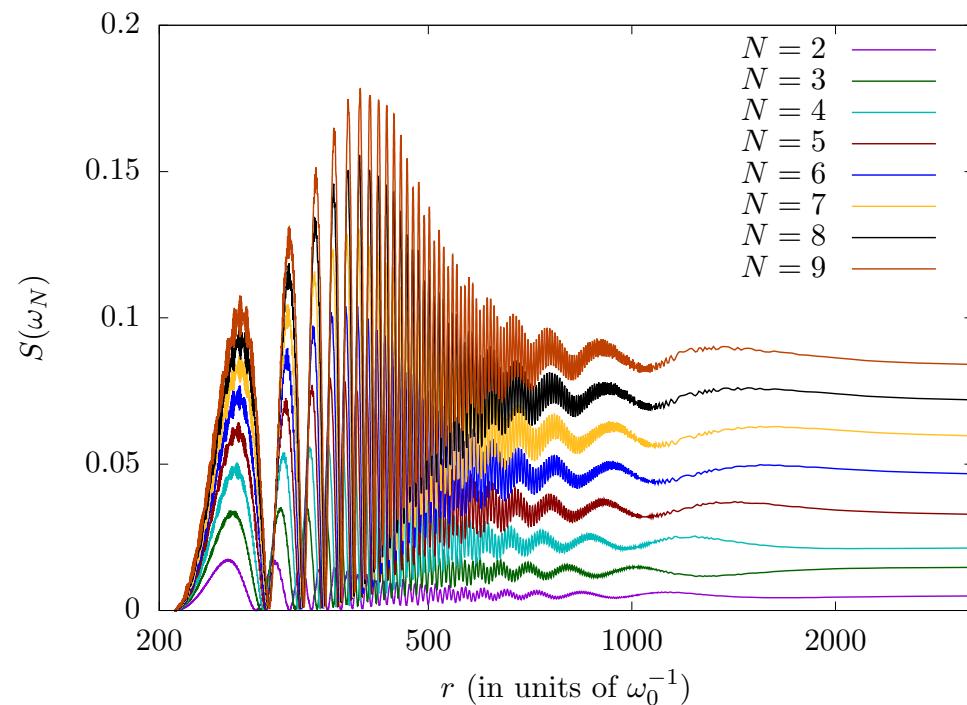
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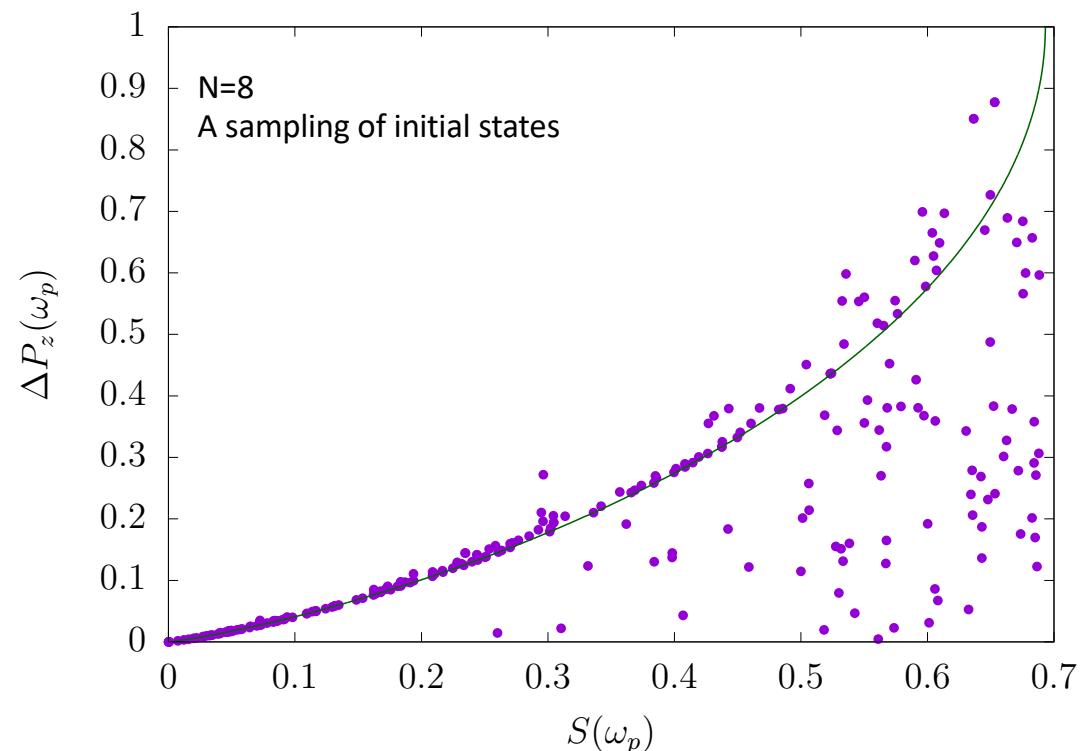
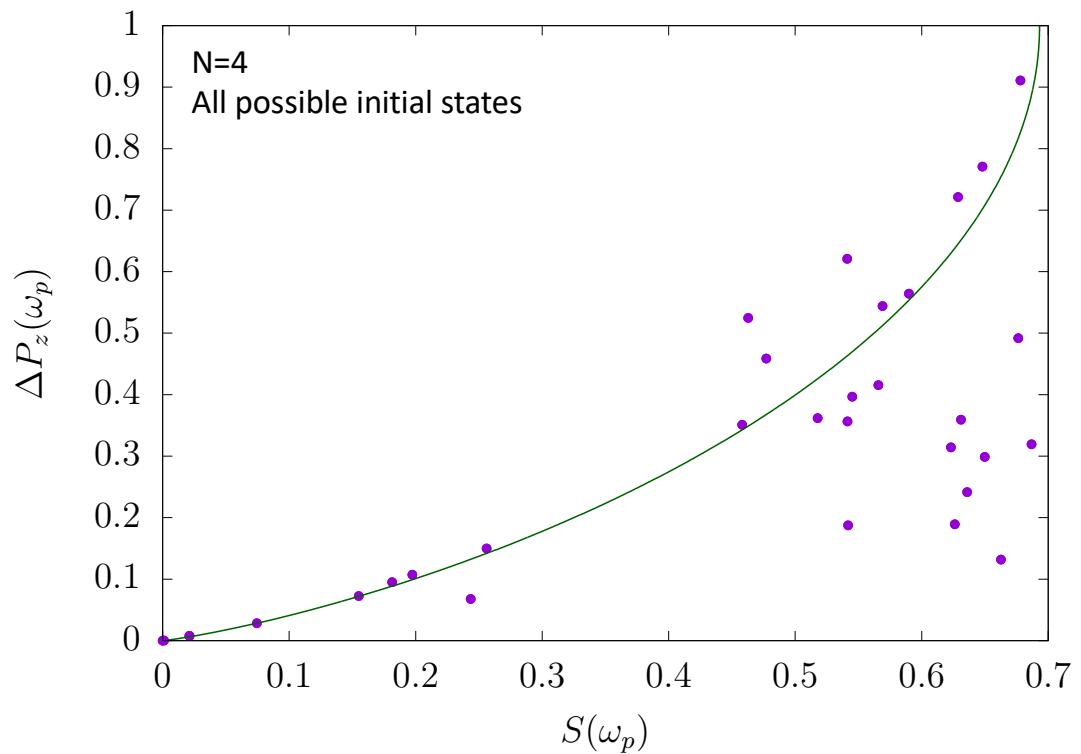


Initial state:
all electron neutrinos

Note: $S = 0$ for mean-field approximation



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Correlation between
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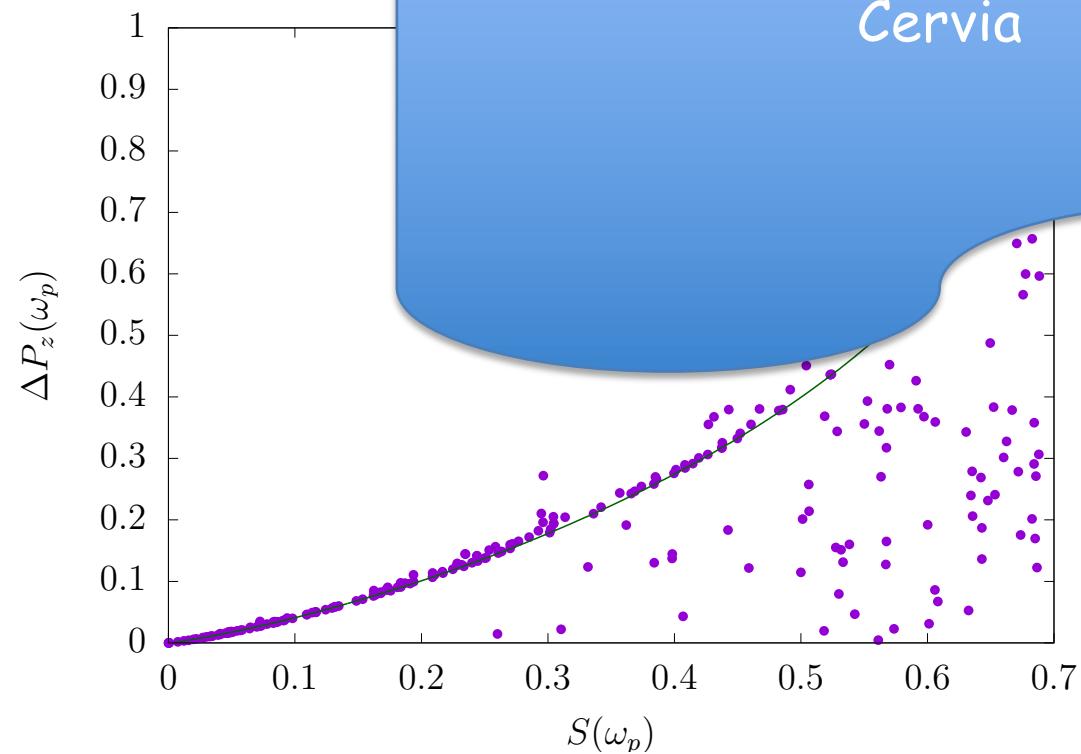
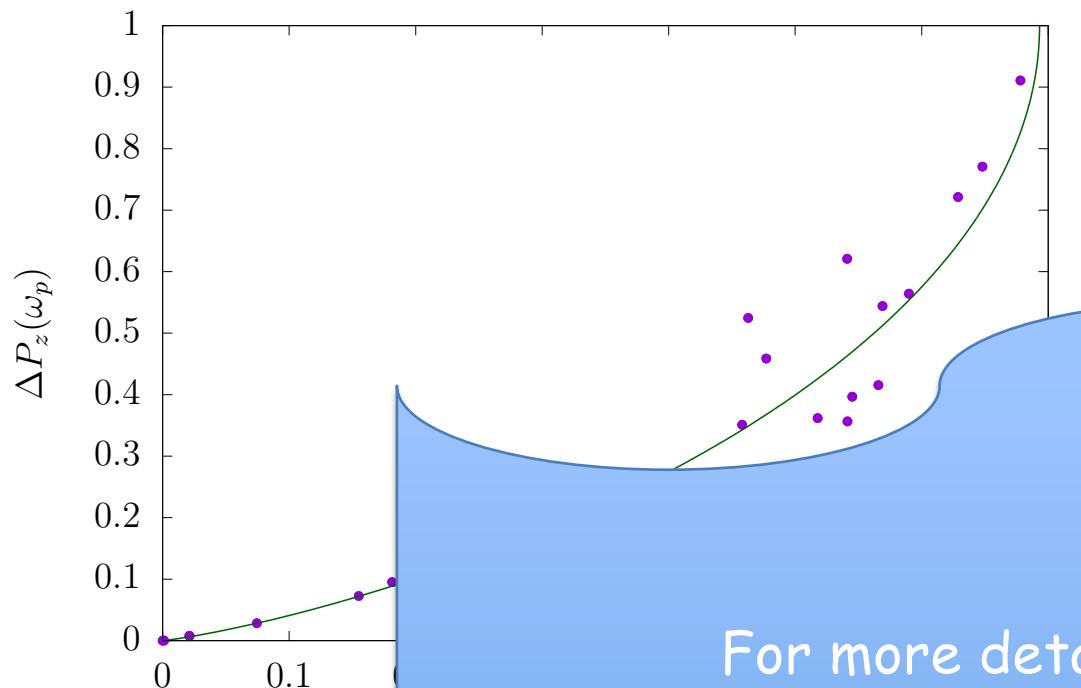
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Example: analytically solvable N=2 case

$$H|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega + 2\mu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\eta + \mu & \mu & 0 \\ 0 & \mu & \eta + \mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \Omega + 2\mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \\ |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \\ |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \\ |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Omega \equiv (\omega_1 + \omega_2)/2$$

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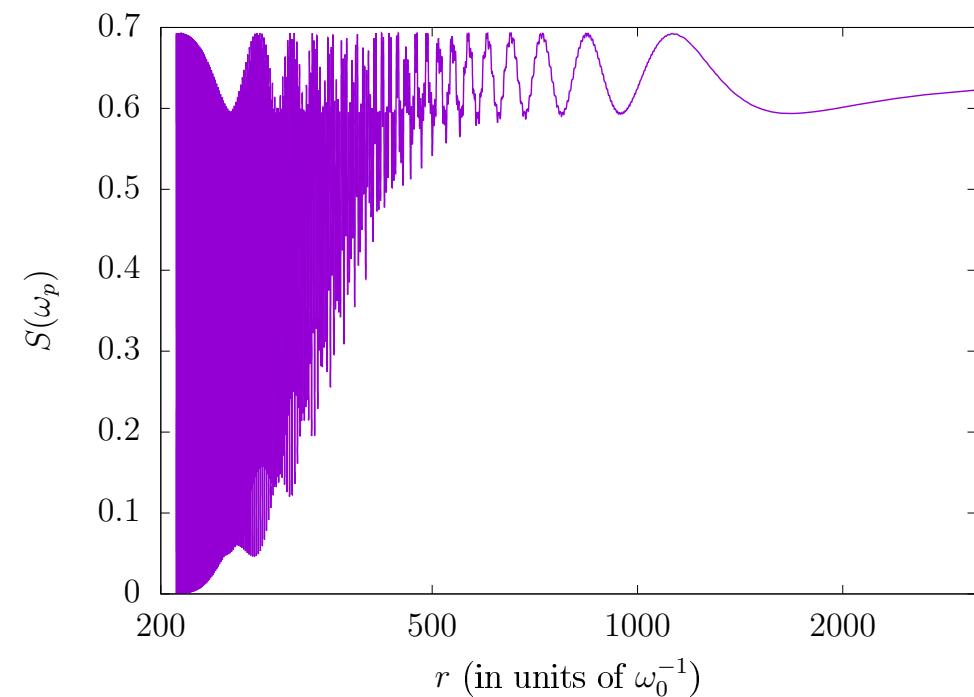
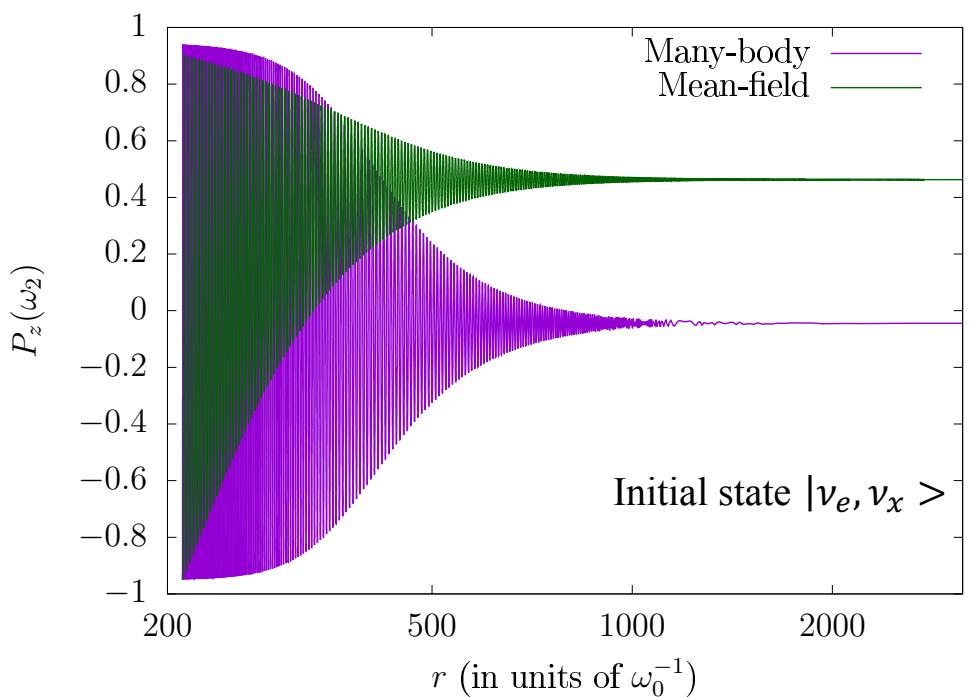
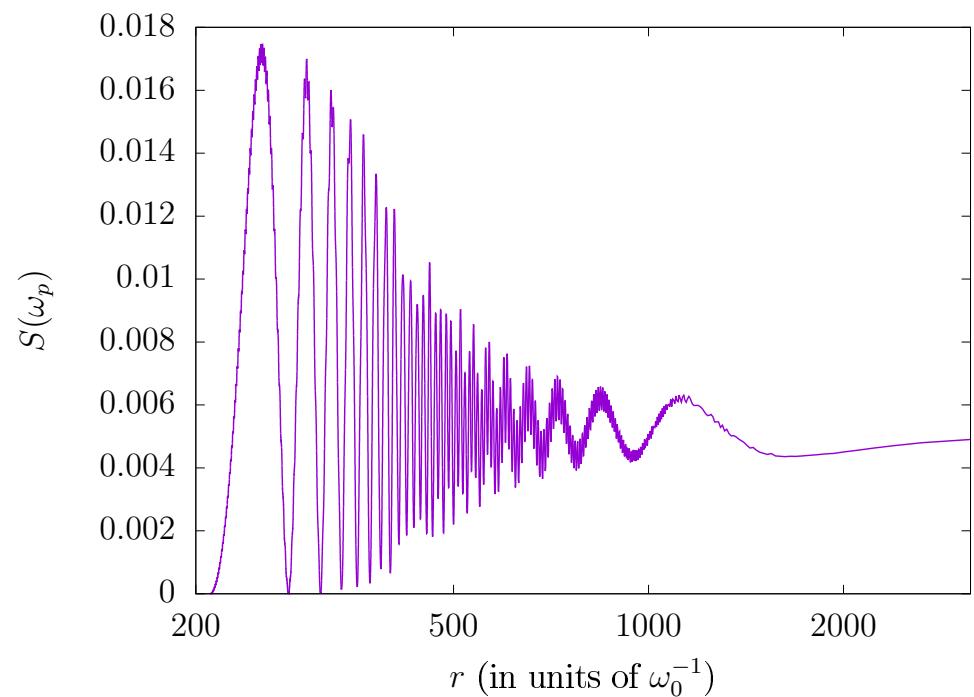
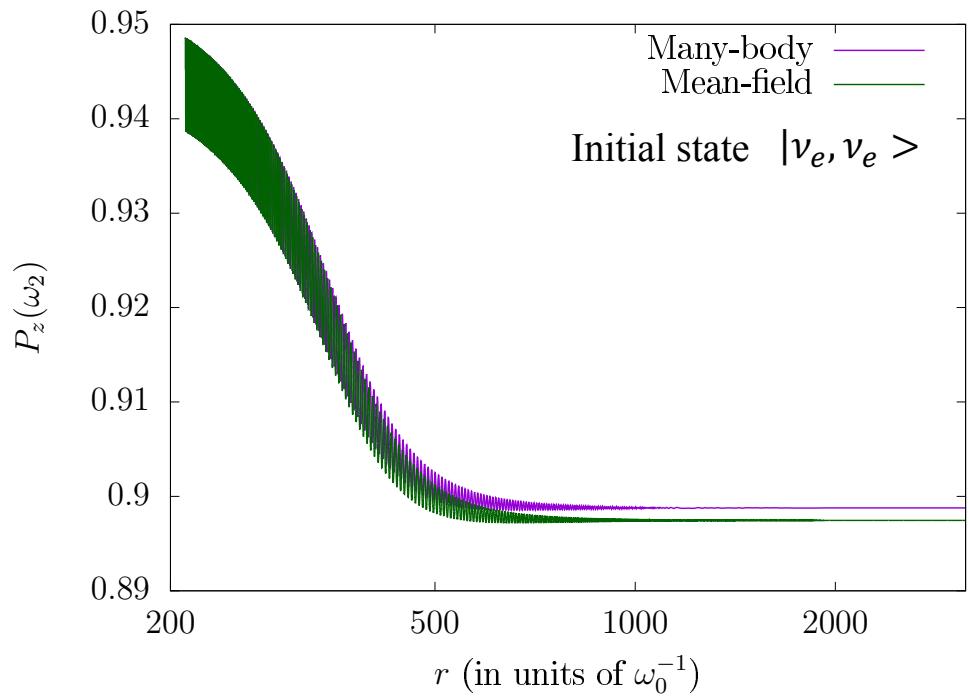
Initial state: two electron neutrinos

$$P_z = \pm \cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\theta \left[\frac{\eta\mu_0 - \eta\mu \cos 2Q}{\sqrt{(\mu^2 + \eta^2)(\mu_0^2 + \eta^2)}} \right],$$

$$P^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{4} \sin^4 2\theta \left[\left(\cos 2R - \frac{\eta^2 + \mu_0\mu \cos 2Q}{\sqrt{(\mu_0^2 + \eta^2)(\mu^2 + \eta^2)}} \right)^2 + \left(\sin 2R - \frac{\mu \sin 2Q}{\sqrt{\mu^2 + \eta^2}} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$R = \int_{t_0}^t \mu dt'$$

$$Q = \int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{\mu^2 + \eta^2} dt'$$



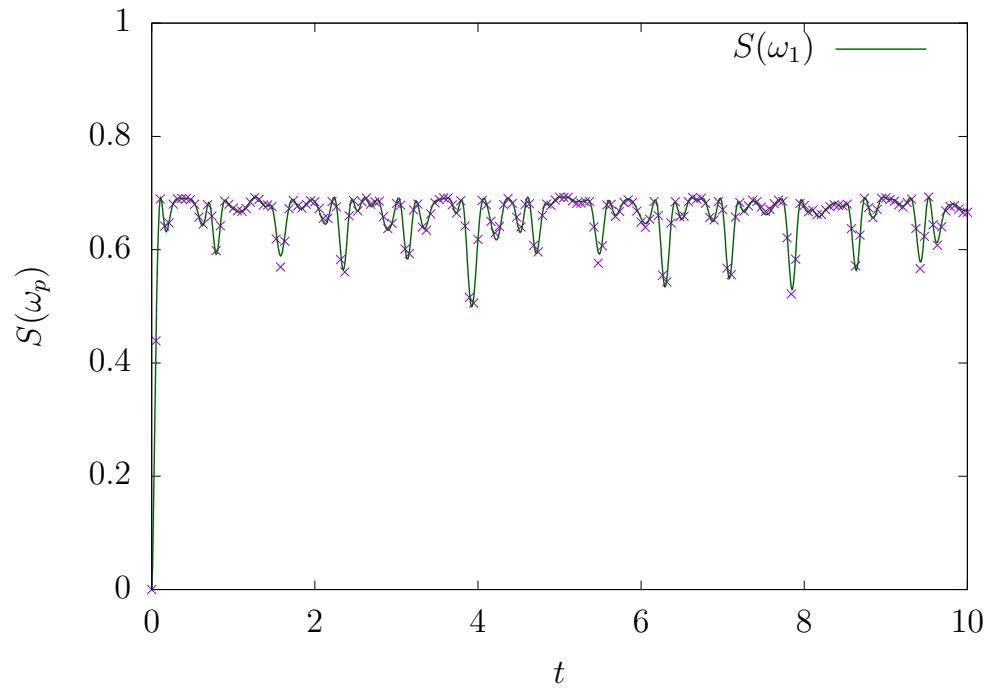
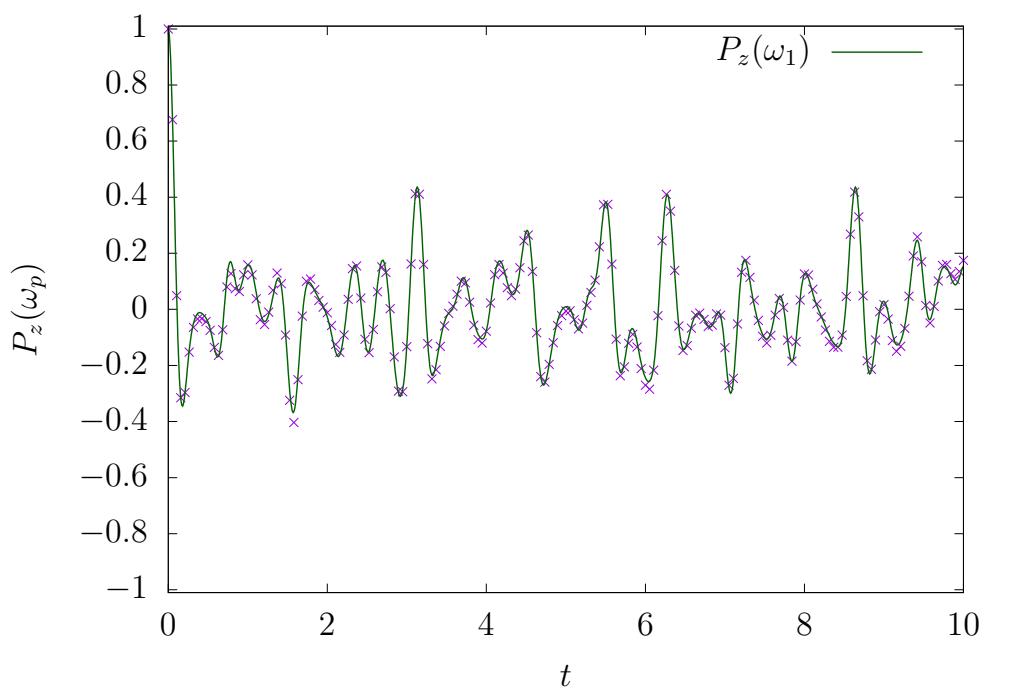
Direct time evolution of the many-body system in discretized momentum space

Rrapaj, arXiv:1905.13335

For details see Rrapaj's talk

Comparison between direct time evolution in the single-angle limit and the Richardson-Gaudin method

Initial state: $2\nu_e, 2\nu_\mu, 2\bar{\nu}_e, 2\bar{\nu}_\mu$



Solid line: Richardson-Gaudin method (Cervia, et al.)
Crosses: Direct time evolution (Rrapaj)

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Thank you very much!