

Boltzmann hierarchy for interacting neutrinos

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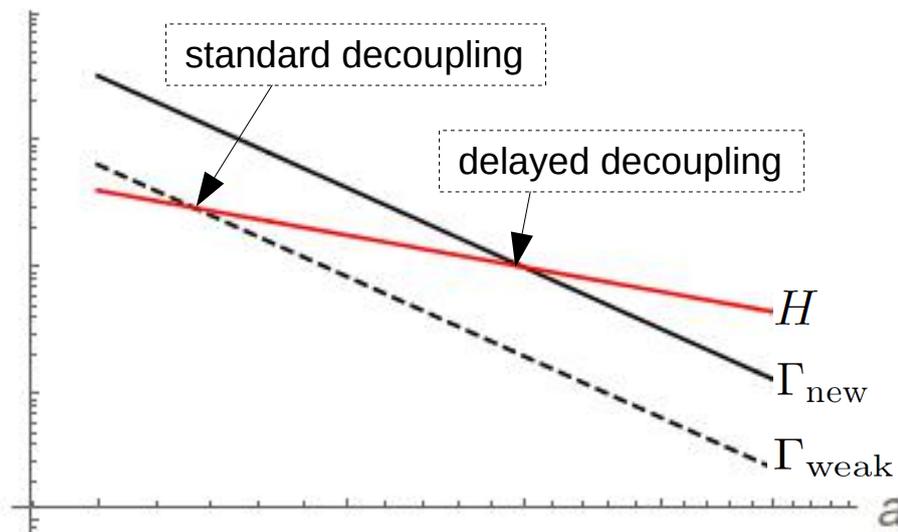
massless neutrinos ⚡ observation of neutrino oscillations

→ Models of neutrino mass generation, “Majoron models“

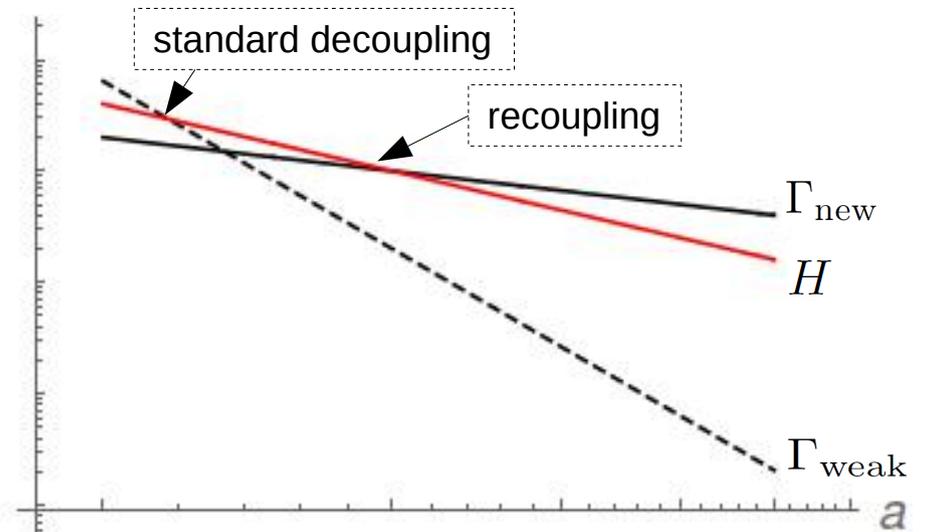
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = g_{ij} \bar{\nu}_i \nu_j \phi + h_{ij} \bar{\nu}_i \gamma_5 \nu_j \phi$$

→ **non-standard neutrino interactions**

Massive scalar → $\Gamma_{\text{new}} \sim G_{\text{eff}}^2 T^5$



Massless scalar → $\Gamma_{\text{new}} \sim gT$



→ **cosmological signature?**

Einstein equation: $\bar{G}_{\mu\nu} + \delta G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G(\bar{T}_{\mu\nu} + \delta T_{\mu\nu})$

$$ds^2 = a(\tau)^2 (-d\tau^2 + (\delta_{ij} + h_{ij})dx^i dx^j)$$

Boltzmann equation: $P^\alpha \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\alpha} - \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma P^\alpha P^\beta \frac{\partial f}{\partial P^\gamma} = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} \right)_{\text{coll}}$

- Perturb $f_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{P}, \eta) = \bar{f}_i(|\mathbf{q}|, \eta) + F_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{q}, \eta)$
- Fourier space

$$\dot{F}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) + i \frac{|\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{k}|}{\epsilon} (\hat{k} \cdot \hat{q}) F(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) + \frac{\partial \bar{f}(|\mathbf{q}|)}{\partial \ln |\mathbf{q}|} \left[\dot{\eta} - (\hat{k} \cdot \hat{q})^2 \frac{\dot{h} + 6\dot{\eta}}{2} \right] = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta} \right)_{\text{coll}}^{(1)}$$

Apply on all relevant particle species:

	interacting	non-interacting
relativistic	photons	neutrinos ???
non-relativistic	baryons	CDM

$$F(|\mathbf{k}|, |\mathbf{q}|, \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (-i)^{\ell} (2\ell + 1) F_{\ell}(|\mathbf{k}|, |\mathbf{q}|) P_{\ell}(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}) \rightarrow \text{Taking moments}$$

→ Boltzmann hierarchy
(no interactions):

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\delta}_{\nu} &= -\frac{4}{3}\theta_{\nu} - \frac{2}{3}\dot{h}, \\ \dot{\theta}_{\nu} &= k^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\delta_{\nu} - \sigma_{\nu} \right), \\ \dot{F}_{\nu 2} &= 2\dot{\sigma}_{\nu} = \frac{8}{15}\theta_{\nu} - \frac{3}{5}kF_{\nu 3} + \frac{4}{15}\dot{h} + \frac{8}{5}\dot{\eta}, \\ \dot{F}_{\nu l} &= \frac{k}{2l+1} [lF_{\nu(l-1)} - (l+1)F_{\nu(l+1)}], \quad l \geq 3 \end{aligned}$$

Neutrino interactions???

1.) Tightly coupled limit: $F_{\nu l \geq 2} = 0$

$$\dot{\delta}_{\nu} = -\frac{4}{3}\theta_{\nu} - \frac{2}{3}\dot{h}$$

→ only valid for sufficiently strong couplings

$$\dot{\theta}_{\nu} = \frac{1}{4}k^2\delta_{\nu}$$

*Hannestad, astro-ph/0411475, ...

2.) Adding damping term:

$$\dot{\mathcal{F}}_{\nu 2} = \frac{8}{15}\theta_\nu - \frac{3}{5}k\mathcal{F}_{\nu 3} + \frac{4}{15}\dot{h} + \frac{8}{5}\dot{\eta} + \frac{9}{10}\alpha_2\dot{\tau}_\nu\mathcal{F}_{\nu 2} ,$$

→ motivated from the photon hierarchy

$$\dot{\mathcal{F}}_{\nu \ell} = \frac{k}{2\ell + 1} [\ell\mathcal{F}_{\nu(\ell-1)} - (\ell + 1)\mathcal{F}_{\nu(\ell+1)}] + \alpha_\ell\dot{\tau}_\nu\mathcal{F}_{\nu \ell} , \quad \ell \geq 3$$

*Cyr-Racine, Sigurdson, astro-ph/1306.1536

3.) Parametrisation used to fit cosmological data:

$$\dot{\delta}_\nu = -\frac{4}{3}\theta_\nu - \frac{2}{3}\dot{h} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}(1 - 3c_{\text{eff}}^2) \left(\delta_\nu + 4\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\frac{\theta_\nu}{k^2} \right) ,$$

$$\dot{\theta}_\nu = k^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\delta_\nu - \sigma_\nu \right) - \frac{k^2}{4}(1 - 3c_{\text{eff}}^2) \left(\delta_\nu + 4\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\frac{\theta_\nu}{k^2} \right) ,$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{F}}_{\nu 2} = 2\dot{\sigma}_\nu = \frac{8}{15}\theta_\nu - \frac{3}{5}k\mathcal{F}_{\nu 3} + \frac{4}{15}\dot{h} + \frac{8}{5}\dot{\eta} - (1 - 3c_{\text{vis}}^2) \left(\frac{8}{15}\theta_\nu + \frac{4}{15}\dot{h} + \frac{8}{5}\dot{\eta} \right) ,$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{F}}_{\nu \ell} = \frac{k}{2\ell + 1} [\ell\mathcal{F}_{\nu(\ell-1)} - (\ell + 1)\mathcal{F}_{\nu(\ell+1)}] , \quad \ell \geq 3 ,$$

$$c_{\text{vis}}^2 = 0 \quad c_{\text{eff}}^2 < \frac{1}{3} \quad \rightarrow \text{tightly coupled limit...???$$

$$(c_{\text{eff}}^2, c_{\text{vis}}^2) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

→ standard case

*e.g. Melchiorri, arxiv:1109.2767, ...

- No proof.
- Accurate treatment of interacting neutrinos includes calculation of the collision integral.

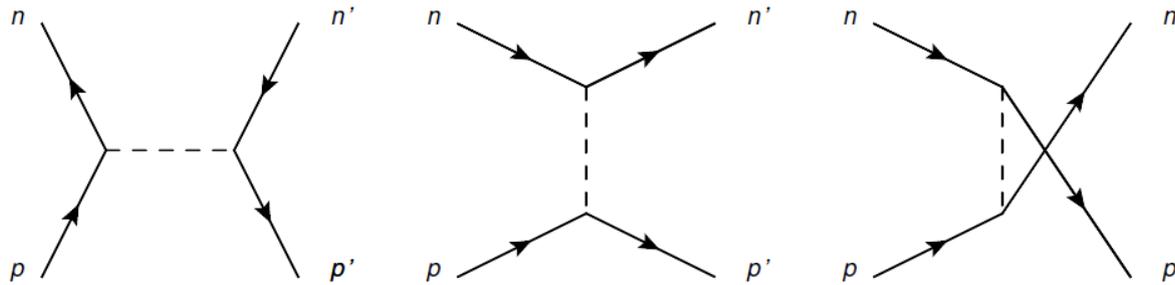
$$\rightarrow \dot{F}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) + i \frac{|\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{k}|}{\epsilon} (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}) F(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) + \frac{\partial \bar{f}(|\mathbf{q}|)}{\partial \ln |\mathbf{q}|} \left[\dot{\eta} - (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}})^2 \frac{\dot{h} + 6\dot{\eta}}{2} \right] = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta} \right)_{\text{coll}}^{(1)}$$

difference to photon case: Thomson scattering = low energy transfer

Approximations: Neglect of quantum statistical effects, zero neutrino masses, zero chemical potentials

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \eta} \right)_{ij \leftrightarrow kl}^{(1)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) &= \frac{g_j g_k g_l}{2|\mathbf{q}|(2\pi)^5} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{q}'}{2|\mathbf{q}'|} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{l}}{2|\mathbf{l}|} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{l}'}{2|\mathbf{l}'|} \delta_D^{(4)}(q + l - q' - l') \\ &\times |\mathcal{M}_{ij \leftrightarrow kl}|^2 \left(\bar{f}_k(|\mathbf{q}'|, \eta) F_l(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}', \eta) + \bar{f}_l(|\mathbf{l}'|, \eta) F_k(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}', \eta) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \bar{f}_i(|\mathbf{q}|, \eta) F_j(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}, \eta) + \bar{f}_j(|\mathbf{l}|, \eta) F_i(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \eta) \right) \end{aligned}$$

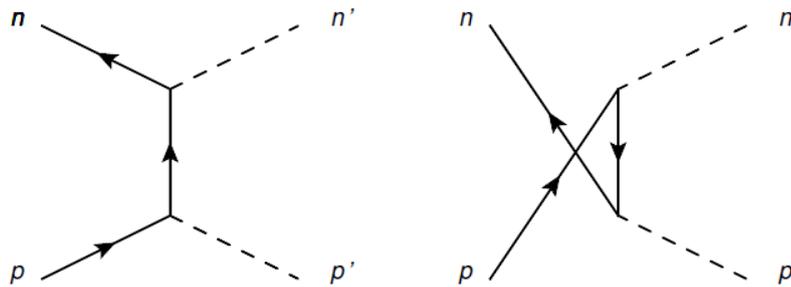
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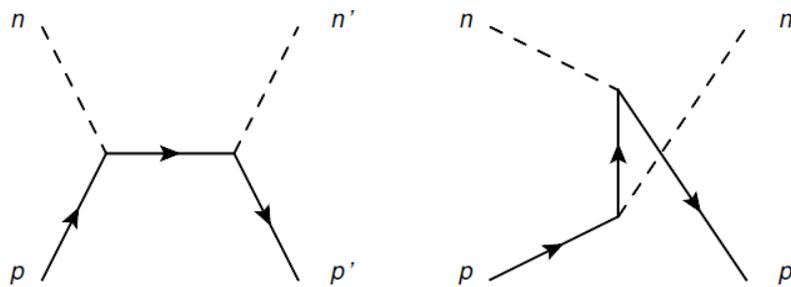
massive case:

only neutrino self-interactions

$\nu\nu \leftrightarrow \phi\phi :$



$\nu\phi \leftrightarrow \nu\phi :$



massless case:

need to include new hierarchy for scalar particle as well

$$\dot{F}_{\nu,0}(q) = -kF_{\nu,1}(q) + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial \bar{f}_{\nu}}{\partial \ln q} \dot{h} - \frac{40}{3} G^{\text{m}} q T_{\nu,0}^4 F_{\nu,0}(q) \\ + G^{\text{m}} \int dq' \frac{q'}{q} \left[K_0^{\text{m}}(q, q') - \frac{20}{9} q^2 q'^2 e^{-q/T_{\nu,0}} \right] F_{\nu,0}(q'),$$

$$\dot{F}_{\nu,1}(q) = -\frac{2}{3} kF_{\nu,2}(q) + \frac{1}{3} kF_{\nu,0}(q) - \frac{40}{3} G^{\text{m}} q T_{\nu,0}^4 F_{\nu,1}(q) \\ + G^{\text{m}} \int dq' \frac{q'}{q} \left[K_1^{\text{m}}(q, q') + \frac{10}{9} q^2 q'^2 e^{-q/T_{\nu,0}} \right] F_{\nu,1}(q'),$$

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- **momentum-dependence reflects non-negligible energy transfer**
- integration over momentum yields $c_{\text{eff}}^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ and $c_{\text{vis}}^2 = ???$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{F}_{\nu,0}(q) = & -kF_{\nu,1}(q) + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial f_{\nu}}{\partial \ln q} \dot{h} - G^0 \mathcal{X}^{\nu}(q) F_{\nu,0}(q) \\ & + G^0 \int dq' \frac{q'}{q} \mathcal{K}_0^{\nu}(q, q') F_{\nu,0}(q') + G^0 \int dq' \frac{q'}{q} \mathfrak{K}_0^{\nu}(q, q') F_{\phi,0}(q'),\end{aligned}$$

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+ similar hierarchy for massless scalar

- time-dependent integral kernels
- coupling to scalar hierarchy at each multipole order!

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Thank you for your attention!