

## Lecture IV

- dark neutrinos+dark forces
- Apparent CPT violation
- Dark Energy
- Dark Energy from mass varying neutrinos

## *$\nu$ mixing with exotic fermion*

- What happens when we add an exotic fermion coupled to a light boson?
- New force mainly affecting neutrinos
  - ➔ Apparent CPT violation in  $\nu$  oscillations
  - ➔  $\nu$  Dark energy

more  $v$

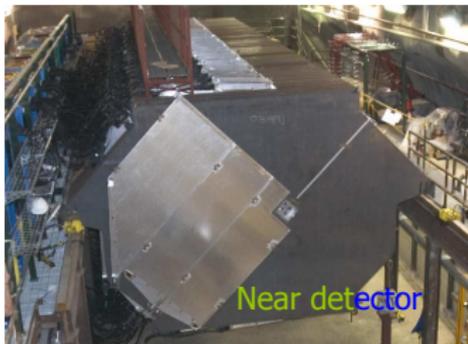
surprises?

## CPT

- $\text{Prob}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \text{Prob}(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu)$
- absent matter effects,  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  disappearance should be the same
- In SM at baseline sensitive to atmospheric  $\Delta m^2$ ,  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance is almost all into  $\nu_\tau$  and should have negligible matter effects



# The MINOS Detectors

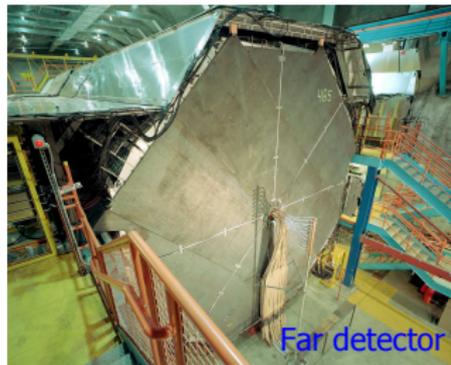


**Near detector**, 1.0 ktonne, 1 km from source  
**Far detector**, 5.4 ktonne, 735 km from source  
Tracking, sampling calorimeters

- Alternate steel and scintillator planes
- Functionally identical
- Magnetised to 1.3 T

Two detectors to mitigate systematics

- e.g. neutrino flux or cross section mismodelings



# Minos antineutrinos

- central value of antineutrino mixing parameters about  $2\sigma$  different from neutrino mixing

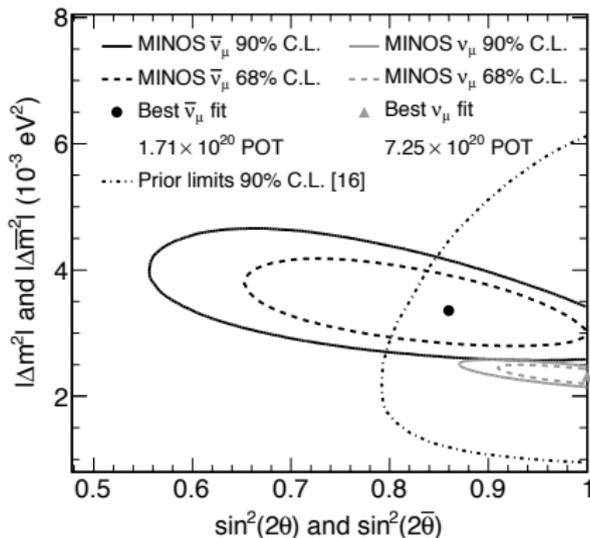
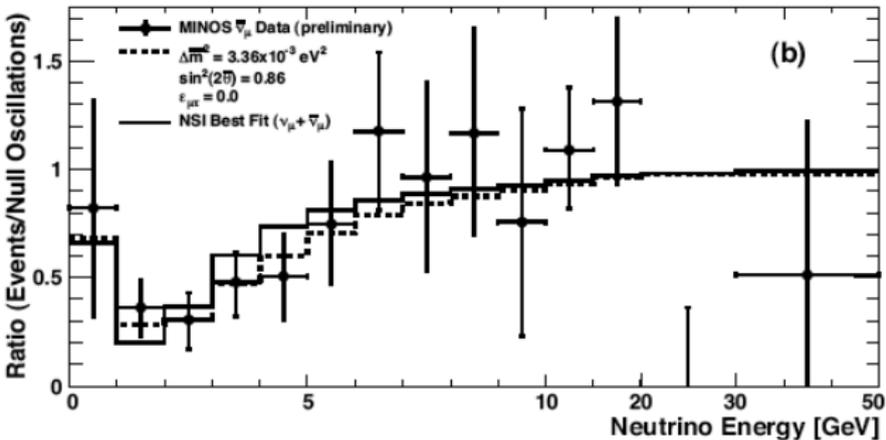
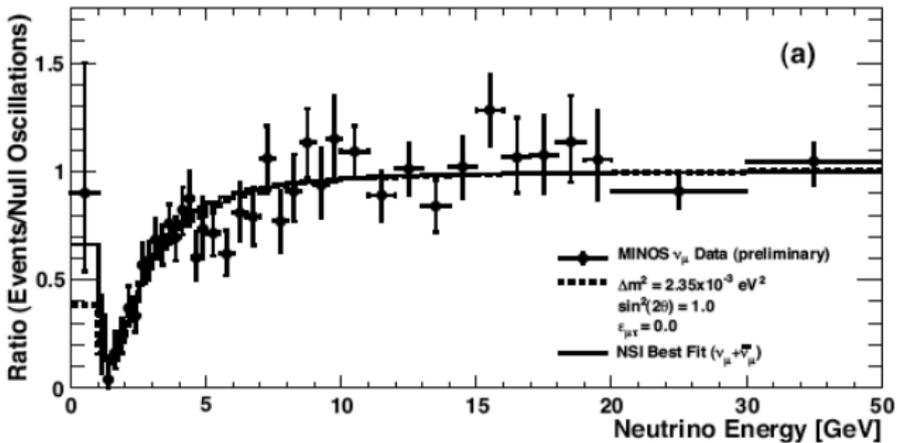


FIG. 4: Allowed regions for the  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  oscillation parameters from a fit to the data in Fig. 3, including all sources of systematic uncertainty. Indirect limits prior to this work [16] and the MINOS allowed region for  $\nu_\mu$  oscillation [3] are also shown.



## *CPT violation?*

- ⇒ standard CPT conserving fit has 2% probability
- ⇒ CPTV implies Lorentz violation in local field theory
- ⇒ implies rotational violation in some reference frame
- ⇒ Lorentz violation extremely well tested in other contexts

## *Minos tests of CPT*

- ⇒ Need a theory of CPT violation
- ⇒ e.g. Kostelecky Standard Model Extension
- ⇒ background CPT (and Lorentz) violating field
- ⇒ sidereal change in neutrino velocity relative to CPTV/LV field
- ⇒ search for sidereal change in oscillation probability
- ⇒ strong upper limits (arXiv:1007.2791)

## *Alternative to CPTV:*

### *Matter effect from a new force*

- ⇒ MINOS neutrinos go through matter
- ⇒ vector interaction with matter distinguishes neutrinos from antineutrinos
- ⇒ similar to usual MSW effect, but could be larger?
- ⇒ Non Standard interactions typically constrained to be much weaker than weak

# “Apparent CPT Violation in Neutrino Oscillation Experiments”

Netta Engelhardt, Ann Nelson, and Jon Walsh  
arXiv:1002.4452v3

- anomalous matter effect
- Sterile neutrinos to the rescue again!
- propose: gauged B-L, 3 sterile neutrinos

# Effective Hamiltonian for (anti) neutrino flavor change in matter

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \text{terms} \propto \text{the identity} + \frac{(\text{mass})^2}{2p} + \begin{pmatrix} V + V_{nc} + V_{cc} & & & & & \\ & V + V_{nc} & & & & \\ & & V + V_{nc} & & & \\ & & & -V & & \\ & & & & -V & \\ & & & & & -V \end{pmatrix}$$

6 x 6 mass matrix

potential in matter,  
changes sign for neutrinos

## resonance for anti neutrinos

for anti  
neutrino and  
sterile  
neutrino

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \begin{pmatrix} V + V_{nc} + \frac{m^2}{2p} & \frac{mM}{2p} \\ \frac{mM}{2p} & -V + \frac{M^2 + m^2}{2p} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{neutrino mass matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m \\ m & M \end{pmatrix}$$

$m$  = Dirac mass

$V$  = B-L potential

$M$  = sterile neutrino Majorana mass

NOTE RESONANCE at  $2V + V_{nc} \approx \frac{M^2}{2p}$

Mixing with sterile neutrino suppressed for neutrinos,  
enhanced for antineutrinos

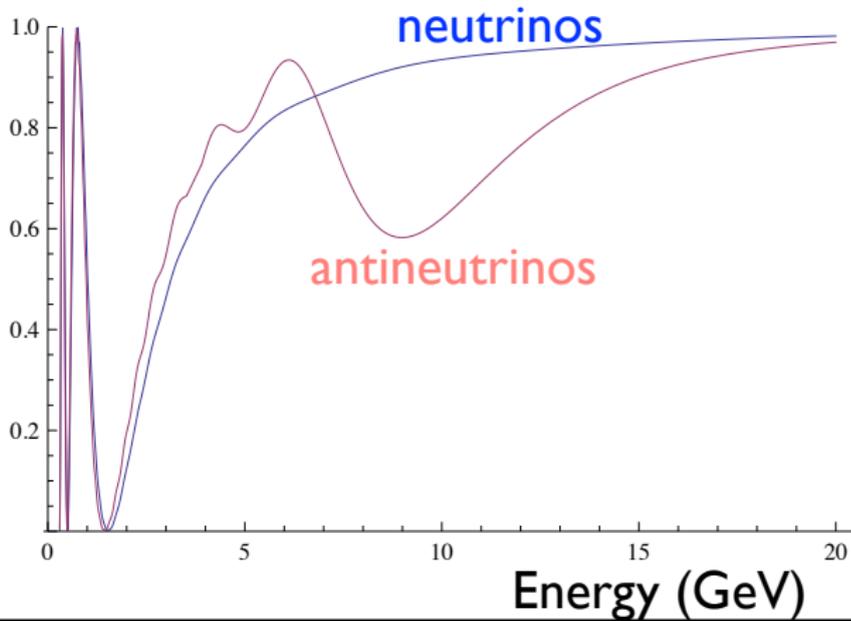
# Effects of potential on $\nu_\mu$ disappearance

eg:  $V = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-12}$  eV in earth's crust

linear combination ( $s_{23}c_{13}\nu_\mu + c_{23}c_{13}\nu_\tau + s_{13}\nu_e$ ),  $s_{13} = .1$ , mixes with sterile neutrino with vacuum mixing angle  $\theta = 0.1$

Vacuum mass<sup>2</sup> differences:  $.00008 \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $.0025 \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $.05 \text{ eV}^2$

$\nu_\mu$  disappearance  
probability  
at 735 km



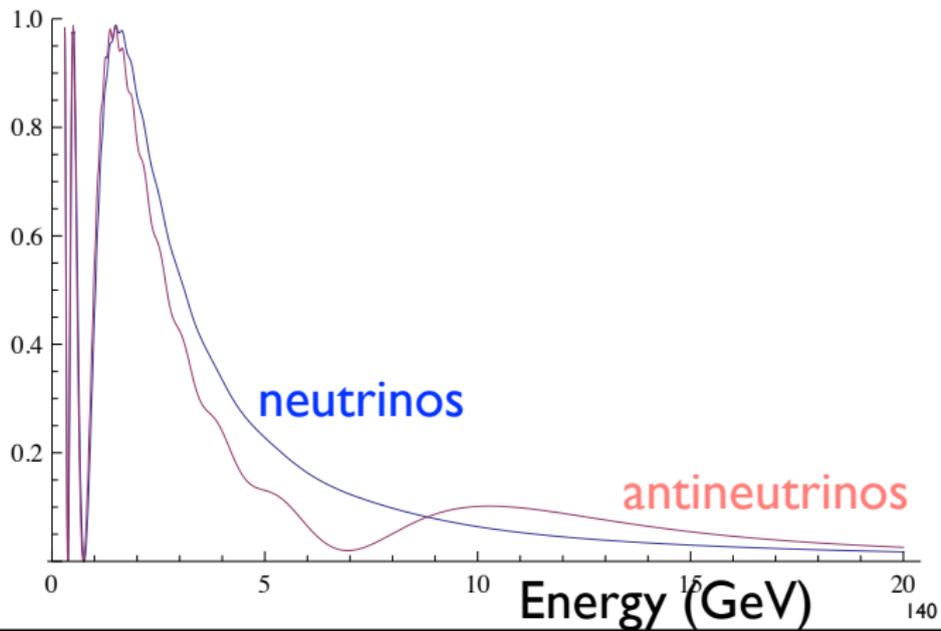
## $\nu_\tau$ appearance

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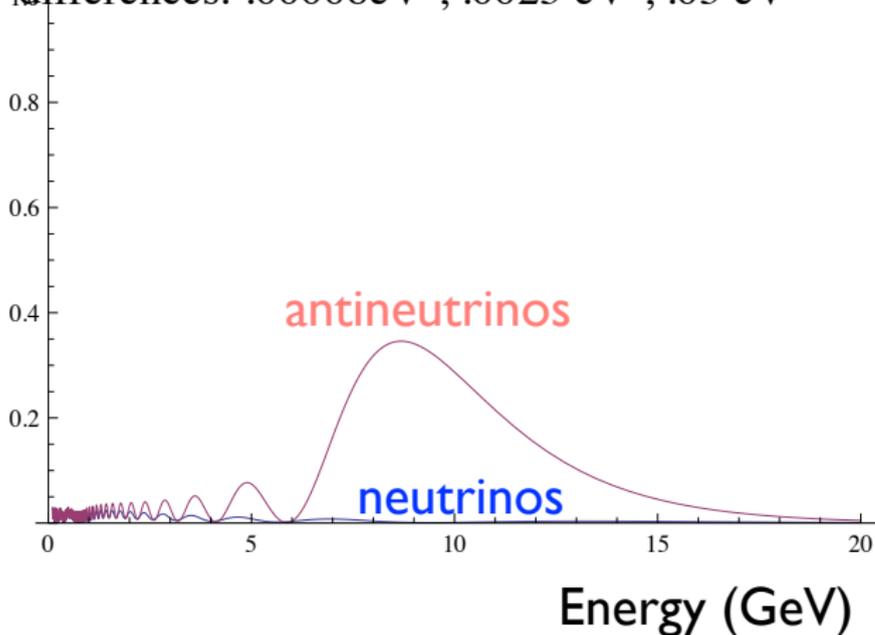
# oscillations into $\nu_s$

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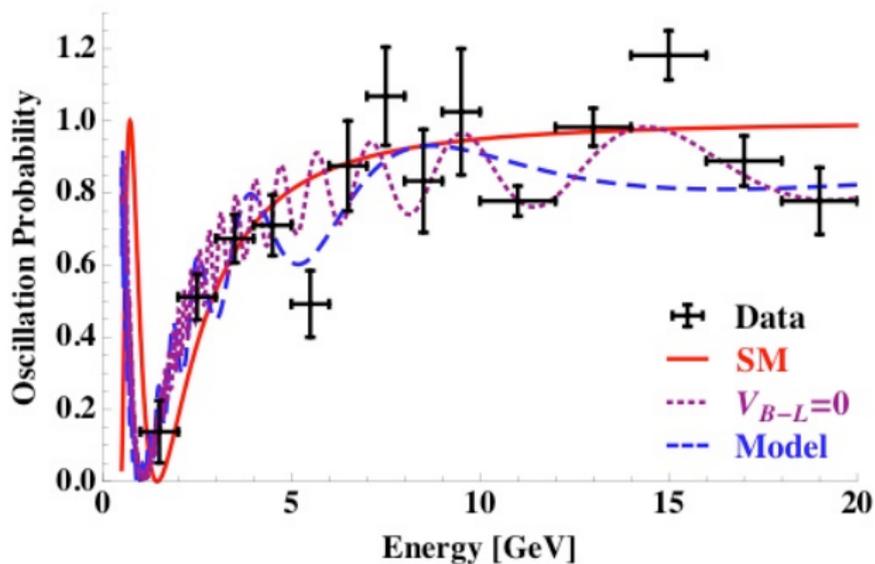
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sterile  
appearance  
probability  
at 735 km



Model best fit to MINOS neutrino disappearance (only 1 sterile neutrino mixes significantly)



(a) neutrinos

# Experimental Constraints

- MSW potential  $\propto g^2/m_\nu^2$
- need  $g^2/m_\nu^2 \sim$  of similar size to usual MSW effect from usual weak interactions for significant effect
- need  $g/m_\nu \sim 1/(300 \text{ GeV})$
- precision EW, neutrino electron scattering:  
 $g < 10^{-3} \Rightarrow m_\nu < 300 \text{ MeV}$
- Note: weaker constraints on sterile neutrino couplings

*Summary: new fermion + new  
light vector boson*

- mixing with exotic fermions can affect neutrino oscillation sensitivity to new forces
- apparent CPT violation in  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance expts

# Mass Varying Neutrinos (MaVaNs)

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# $\nu$ physics beyond the standard model at the meV scale?

- Dark Energy Density:  $\rho_{\text{DE}}^{1/4} \sim 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$
- See Saw Scale:  $M_{\text{W}}^2/M_{\text{Pl}} \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV}$
- $m_{3/2}$  in one scale GMSB  $\sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$
- Neutrino masses:  $(\Delta m_{\text{solar}}^2)^{1/2} \sim 9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$ 
  - $(\Delta m_{\text{atmospheric}}^2)^{1/2} \sim 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$
  - $(\Delta m_{\text{LSND}}^2)^{1/2} \sim (0.1 - 2) \text{ eV}$

# Coincidental Scales?

- Neutrino number density scale  $n_{\nu}^{1/3} \sim 10^{-4}$  eV

$n_{\nu}$  depends on redshift as  $(1+z)^3$

- Dark Matter Density:  $\rho_{\text{DM}}^{1/4} \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$  eV

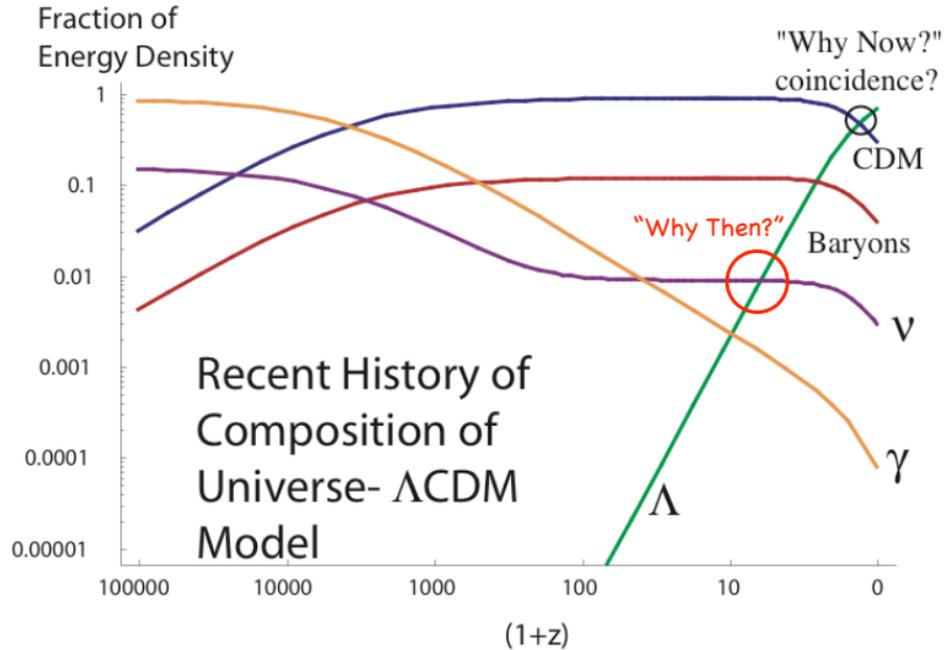
$\rho_{\text{DM}}$  depends on redshift as  $(1+z)^3$

- Neutrino energy density  $10^{-3}$  eV  $\geq \rho_{\nu}^{1/4} \geq 5 \times 10^{-4}$  eV

$\rho_{\nu}$  depends on redshift as  $(1+z)^3$  ?

## Why Now???

# Recent History of the Energy Density of the Universe



$$H^2 = (\dot{R}/R)^2 = (8\pi/3) G_N \rho$$

Type of  $\rho$       dilution rate  
 ( $P = w \rho$ )      clustering      Particle Physics

CDM, Baryons	$(1/R)^3$ ( $w=0$ )	Gravitationally Clumps	WIMPS Axions Etc.
radiation	$(1/R)^4$ ( $w=1/3$ )	Does not clump	Photons Light $\nu$
Cosmological Constant	Does not dilute ( $w=-1$ )	Smooth	Vacuum Energy
quintessence	$(1/R)^{3(1+w)}$ $-1 < w < -0.9$	Smooth (not perfect fluid)	Cosmon, MaVaNs

# Looking through the Neutrino portal

- Neutrino number density scale  $n_{\nu}^{1/3} \sim 10^{-4}$  eV  
 $n_{\nu}$  scales as  $z^3$
- Dark Energy Density:  $\rho_{DE}^{1/4} \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$  eV approximately constant
- Neutrino energy density  $10^{-3}$  eV  $\geq \rho_{\nu}^{1/4} \geq 5 \times 10^{-4}$  eV  
red shift dependent mass?

**Can we relate dark energy to neutrinos?** ( $m_{\nu} \sim \rho_{\nu}^{1/4}$  at  $z$  where  $m_{\nu} \sim n_{\nu}^{1/3}$ )

# General considerations for varying parameters

## Varying Parameter $\Rightarrow$ New Field (e.g. varying mass $\Rightarrow$ Higgs)

Significant effects require fields which are lighter than scale of affected physics—for cosmology, this means new sub-meV bosons

(not necessarily as light as  $H \sim 10^{-33}$  eV)

Is a light, weakly coupled new sector

natural?

consistent with expt?

# The 'mini-seesaw' MAVAN Model

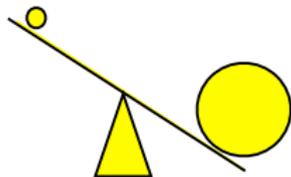
Assume "Dark Sector" (= unknown particles with no standard Model charges) contains light

- ☛ "Acceleron" scalar field  $A$
- ☛ fermion fields  $n$  (aka 'sterile' or 'righthanded'  $\nu$ )
- ☛ Yukawa couplings  $\lambda A n n$
- ☛ Scalar potential  $V(A)$

"Our sector" contains

- ☛ Active Neutrinos  $\nu$
- ☛ Higgs Field  $H$

Allow tiny ( $y=0(10^{-11}-10^{-15})$ ) coupling  $y H n \nu$



Neutrino mass matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & y \langle H \rangle \\ y \langle H \rangle & \lambda \langle A \rangle \end{pmatrix}$

'Dirac' Mass  
 $m_D = y \langle H \rangle$   
 $\sim 1 \text{ eV} - 0.0001 \text{ eV}$

# Neutrino Masses vary as $A^{-1}$

Neutrino mass matrix

$$\begin{matrix} \nu & & n \\ & \begin{pmatrix} \nu & \gamma H \\ 0 & \lambda A \end{pmatrix} \\ n & & \end{matrix}$$

For large  $\langle A \rangle$  light neutrino is mostly active, mass is  $\sim (\gamma \langle H \rangle)^2 / \lambda A$

Heavier neutrino is mostly dark, mass is  $\sim \lambda A$

Assume  $V(A)$  increasing function of  $A$ .

$$V_{\text{eff}}(A) = V(A) + (T^2 + m_\nu^2(A))^{1/2} n_\nu$$

Note:  $n_\nu$  redshifts as  $(1+z)^3$

temperature  $T$  redshifts as  $(1+z)$

# Varying Effective Potential for A as Neutrino density decreases

Energy  
Density in  
Neutrino  
mass

Combined  
effective  
potential

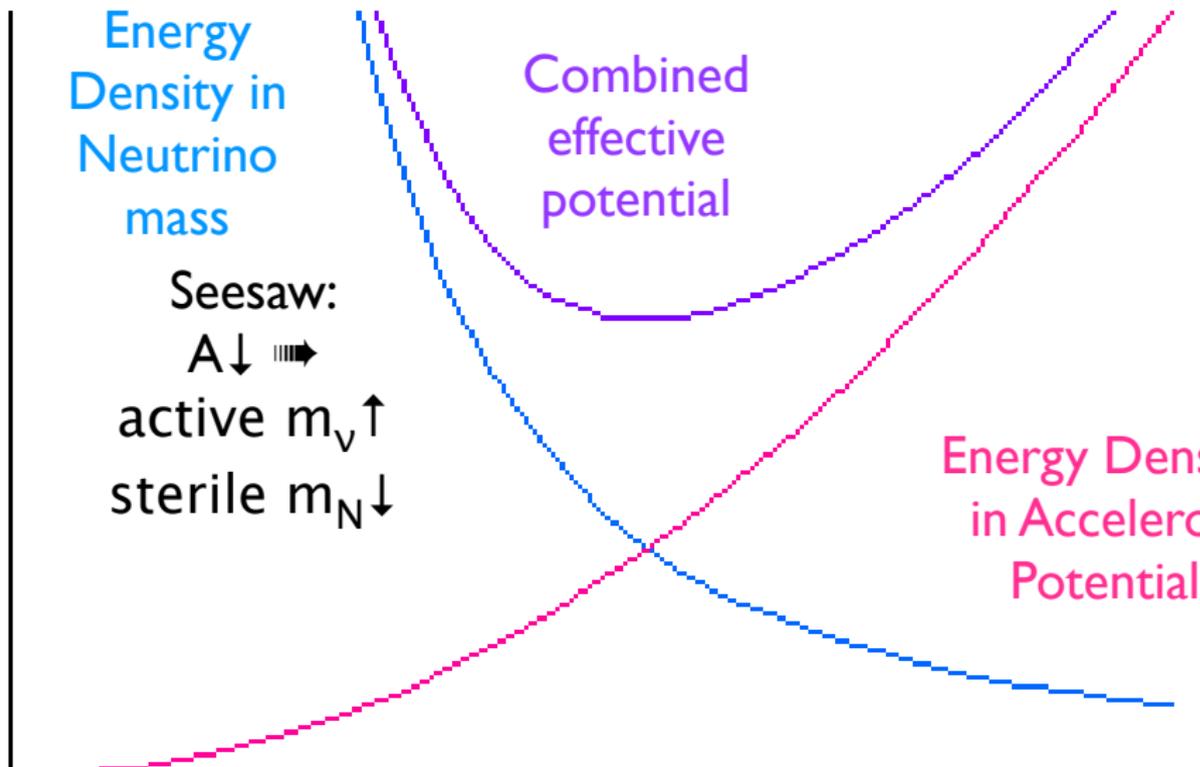
Seesaw:

$A \downarrow \Rightarrow$

active  $m_\nu \uparrow$

sterile  $m_N \downarrow$

Energy Density  
in Acceleron  
Potential



# A Technically Natural Model

*(except cosmological constant)*

Gauge Mediated Susy Breaking Model with

$$m_{3/2} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

Nearly hidden nearly supersymmetric sector containing

$A$ ,  $n$  chiral superfields

$$W \supset y H \nu n + \lambda A n n, \lambda \sim 1, y \sim 10^{-11}$$

susy breaking masses for  $A$ ,  $\tilde{n}$  scalars

$$\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{n}} \mathcal{M}_A < 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

$$V \supset \mathcal{X} |\tilde{n}|^4 + 4\lambda^2 |A\tilde{n}|^2 - \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{n}}^2 |\tilde{n}|^2 +$$

$$y^2 |H\tilde{n}|^2 + \mathcal{M}_A^2 |A|^2 + \text{constant}$$

# Can we test MaVaN Dark Energy?

- Cosmological tests of neutrino mass from large scale structure: MaVaN mass was much lighter at high redshift.
- No terrestrial sources of high scalar neutrino density (neutrino density weighted by  $(m/E)$ ), relative to cosmological, other than nuclear fireball.
- Main interesting astrophysical source of high scalar neutrino density is **supernova**.

# Neutrino Mass and mixing Matter dependent?

- $A, \tilde{n}$  could couple to other matter, e.g.

$$(1/\Lambda)\tilde{n}G^2, \xi\tilde{n}H_uH_d$$

- ➡  $A, \tilde{n}$  expectation values could be different in dense matter than air
- ➡ Neutrino mass and mixing parameters could be different in matter than air or vacuum  
(exotic MSW-type effect, **not** CP violating, energy independent)

# Smoking Guns for $M_{\nu}N$ 's

- Effects of environment in neutrino oscillations?
- Tritium endpoint searches for absolute  $\nu$  mass depends on density of source?
- Cosmologically “impossible” sterile neutrinos?
- Cosmologically “inconsistent” neutrino masses?
- $\theta_{13}$  in long baseline search for  $\nu_e$  appearance inconsistent with reactor constraint?
- energy spectrum of solar  $\nu_e$  inconsistent with standard large mixing angle MSW?

# Summary

- Effects of “dark sector” with new light fermion mixing with neutrinos and a new light boson
  - new vector boson: apparent CPT violation
  - new scalar boson: MaVaNs.
    - alternate explanation of dark energy
    - motivated by coincidence of neutrino mass and dark energy scales.
    - (Very)Anomalous matter effects