

# Recent developments in neutrino cosmology

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# Outline and bibliography

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Scale-dependent galaxy bias induced by neutrinos: why we should worry, and a simple correction implemented in CLASS

Why care about neutrino masses?

*Why care about neutrino masses  
and neutrino cosmology?*

## Why care about neutrino masses?

*Because neutrino masses are the only **direct evidence** for BSM physics*

- Because neutrinos are the only SM particles of unknown mass
- Because cosmology *should* measure the total neutrino mass in the next years
- Because measuring the neutrino mass could be a step forward towards unveiling other properties (mass ordering, Dirac/Majorana nature,...)

## Neutrinos from the lab

Flavour transition probability:

$$P_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} \propto \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{E} \right)$$

2 non-zero  $\Delta m^2 \rightarrow$  at least 2 out of 3 mass eigenstates are massive

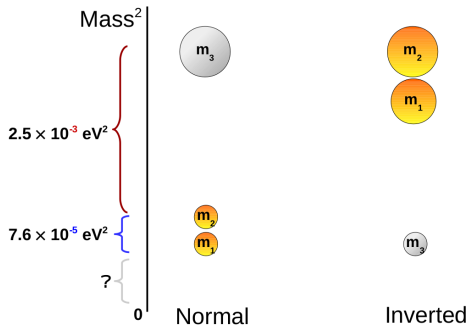
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{21}^2 &\equiv m_2^2 - m_1^2 = (7.6 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \\ |\Delta m_{31}^2| &\equiv |m_3^2 - m_1^2| = (2.48 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Esteban *et al.*, JHEP 1701 (2017) 087

**Note uncertainty in sign of  $\Delta m_{31}^2$**   $\rightarrow$  two possible mass orderings

# Neutrino mass ordering

Lower limit on the absolute mass scale depending on the mass ordering



Credits: Hyper-Kamiokande collaboration

**Normal ordering**

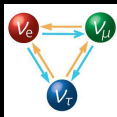
$$M_\nu > 0.06 \text{ eV}$$

**Inverted ordering**

$$M_\nu > 0.1 \text{ eV}$$

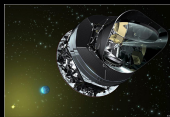
## Neutrino oscillations

- Sensitive to mass-squared differences  
 $\Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_j^2 - m_i^2$
- Exploits quantum-mechanical effects
- Currently not sensitive to the mass ordering



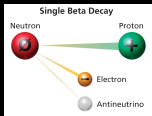
## Cosmology

- Sensitive to sum of neutrino masses  
 $M_\nu \equiv \sum_i m_i$
- Exploits GR+Boltzmann equations
- Tightest limits, but somewhat model-dependent



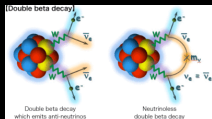
## Beta decay

- Sensitive to effective electron neutrino mass  
 $m_\beta^2 \equiv \sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2$
- Exploits conservation of energy
- Model-independent, but less tight bounds



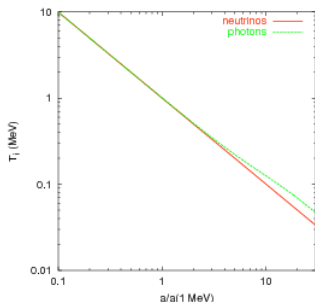
## Neutrinoless double-beta decay

- Sensitive to effective Majorana mass  
 $m_{\beta\beta} \equiv \sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 m_i$
- Exploits  $0\nu 2\beta$  decay (if  $\nu$ s are Majorana)
- Limited by NME uncertainties and  $\nu$  nature



## Basic facts of neutrino cosmology

- $T \gtrsim 1 \text{ MeV}$ : weak interactions maintain  $\nu$ s in thermal equilibrium with the primeval cosmological plasma [ $T_\nu = T_\gamma$ ]
- $T \lesssim 1 \text{ MeV}$ :  $\nu$ s free-stream keeping an equilibrium spectrum

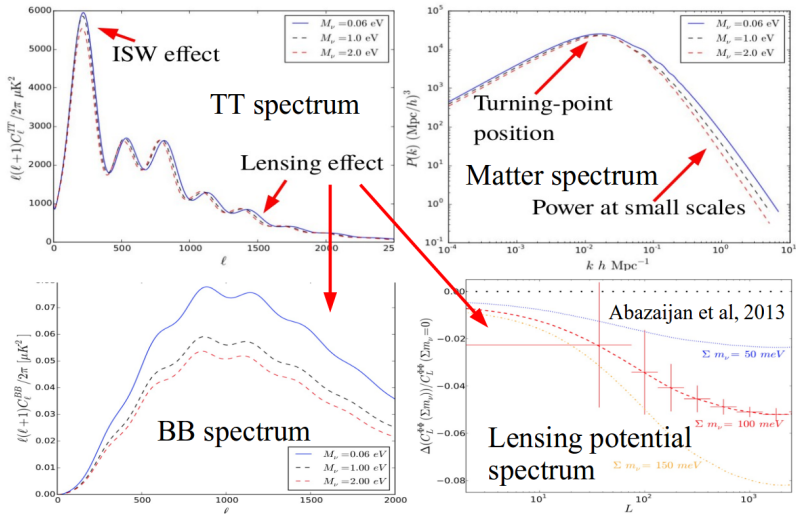


Lesgourgues & Pastor, AHEP 2012 (2012) 608515

- $T \lesssim M_\nu$ :  $\nu$ s turn non-relativistic, free-streaming suppresses the growth of structure on small scales (**VERY IMPORTANT**)



# How can cosmology measure neutrino masses?



SV, E. Giusarma, O. Mena, K. Freese, M. Gerbino, S. Ho, M. Lattanzi, *Phys. Rev. D* **96** (2017) 123503 [[arXiv:1701.08172](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.08172)]

What does current data tell us about the neutrino mass scale and mass ordering? How to quantify how much the normal ordering is favoured?

## Unveiling $\nu$ secrets with cosmological data: Neutrino masses and mass hierarchy

Sunny Vagnozzi, Elena Giusarma, Olga Mena, Katherine Freese, Martina Gerbino, Shirley Ho, and Massimiliano Lattanzi

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### ABSTRACT

Using some of the latest cosmological data sets publicly available, we derive the strongest bounds in the literature on the sum of the three active neutrino masses,  $M_\nu$ , within the assumption of a background flat  $\Lambda$  CDM cosmology. In the most conservative scheme, combining Planck cosmic microwave background temperature anisotropies and baryon acoustic oscillations (BAO) data, as well as the up-to-date constraint on the optical depth to reionization ( $\tau$ ), the tightest 95% confidence level upper bound we find is  $M_\nu < 0.151$  eV. The addition of Planck high- $\ell$  polarization data, which, however, might still be contaminated by systematics, further tightens the bound to  $M_\nu < 0.118$  eV. A proper model comparison treatment shows that the two aforementioned combinations disfavor the inverted hierarchy at  $\sim 64\%$  C.L. and  $\sim 51\%$  C.L., respectively. In addition, we compare the constraints

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# What does data have to say about all this?

Data:

- *Planck* 2015 temperature and polarization measurements
- $P(k)$  from BOSS DR12 (newest LSS power spectrum measurement at the time)
- BAO from 6dFGS, BOSS DR11 LOWZ, SDSS-MGS
- $\tau$  simlow prior  $\tau = 0.055 \pm 0.009$

Tightest yet most robust bounds:

Without including polarization

$$M_\nu < \mathbf{0.15} \text{ eV @95\% C.L.}$$

Including polarization

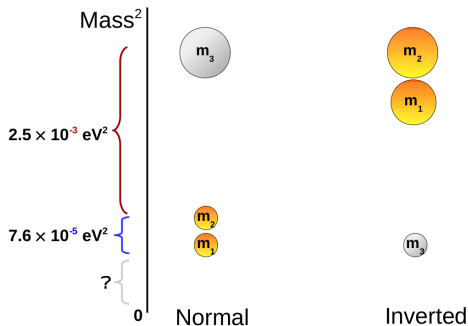
$$M_\nu < \mathbf{0.12} \text{ eV @95\% C.L.}$$

*SV et al., PRD 96 (2017) 123503*

Clearly the IO is being put under pressure, but how much exactly?

# What can cosmology say about the mass ordering?

Näively might think that  $M_\nu < 0.1 \text{ eV}$  is enough to exclude IO!



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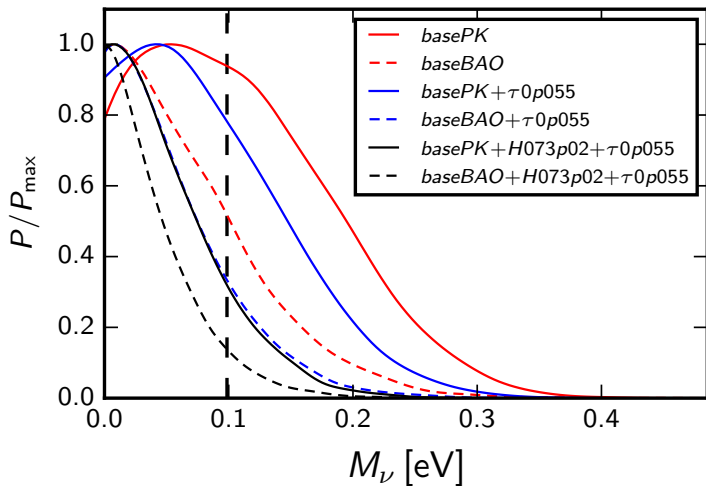
- **Bayesian model selection** problem between two models: NO and IO
- **Posterior odds** for NO vs IO: *SV et al., PRD 96 (2017) 123503*, different formulation which leads to approximately same result in *Hannestad & Schwetz, JCAP 1611 (2016) 035*

$$\frac{p_{NO}}{p_{IO}} \approx \frac{\int_{0.06 \text{ eV}}^{\infty} dM_{\nu} p(M_{\nu}|\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{P}(M_{\nu})}{\int_{0.10 \text{ eV}}^{\infty} dM_{\nu} p(M_{\nu}|\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{P}(M_{\nu})} > 1$$

- Preference for NO driven by **volume effects**
- Even for the most constraining dataset,  $p_{NO} : p_{IO} \sim 3.3 : 1$
- After our work others explored other physical priors/methodologies, preference for NO *typically* never  $> 5 : 1$ ... *Gerbino+2017, Simpson+2017, Caldwell+2017, Long+2018, Gariazzo+2018, Heavens & Sellentin 2018, Handley & Millea 2018, de Salas+2018*

# How to improve from here? Need to improve use of $P(k)$

Let's check the relative constraining power of BAO vs  $P(k)$ ...



# How to improve from here? Need to improve use of $P(k)$

Issues:

- (Scale-dependent) bias (usually treated as constant)

$$P_g(k) = b^2(k)P_m(k)$$

$P_m(k)$ : what we want to measure (neutrino mass signature is here)

$P_g(k)$ : what we measure

$b^2(k)$ : what makes life hard

- Non-linearities
- Redshift-space distortions
- Systematics

We need a better handle on the bias!

E. Giusarma, **SV**, S. Ho, S. Ferraro, K. Freese, R. Kamen-Rubio, K. B. Luk, *Phys. Rev. D* **98** (2018) 123526 [[arXiv:1802.08694](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.08694)]

Scale-dependent galaxy bias: can we nail it through CMB lensing-galaxy cross-correlations?

## Scale-dependent galaxy bias, CMB lensing-galaxy cross-correlation, and neutrino masses

Elena Giusarma, Sunny Vagnozzi, Shirley Ho, Simone Ferraro, Katherine Freese, Rocky Kamen-Rubio, and Kam-Biu Luk

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### ABSTRACT

One of the most powerful cosmological data sets when it comes to constraining neutrino masses is represented by galaxy power spectrum measurements,  $P_{gg}(k)$ . The constraining power of  $P_{gg}(k)$  is however severely limited by uncertainties in the modeling of the scale-dependent galaxy bias  $b(k)$ . In this work we present a new proof-of-principle for a method to constrain  $b(k)$  by using the cross-correlation between the cosmic microwave background (CMB) lensing signal and galaxy maps ( $C_{\ell}^{K\ell G}$ ) using a simple but theoretically well-motivated parametrization for  $b(k)$ . We apply the method using  $C_{\ell}^{K\ell G}$  measured by cross-correlating

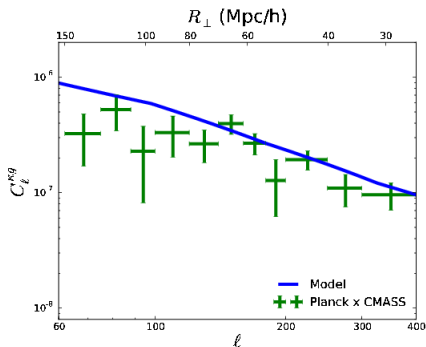


# Using CMB lensing-galaxy cross-correlations

$$P_g(k) = b^2(k)P_m(k) \propto b^2$$

**Cross-correlate** CMB lensing with galaxies Giusarma, SV, et al., PRD 98 (2018) 123526

$$C_\ell^{kg} = \frac{3H_0^2\Omega_m}{2c^2} \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz \frac{\chi^* - \chi(z)}{\chi(z)\chi^*} (1+z) b\left(k = \frac{\ell}{\chi(z)}\right) P_m\left(\frac{\ell}{\chi(z)}, z\right) \propto b^1$$



# Scale-dependent galaxy bias

In Fourier space leading-order correction is  $k^2$ :

$$\delta_g(k, \tau) = b_1(\tau)\delta(k, \tau) + b_{\nabla^2\delta}k^2\delta(k, \tau) + \dots$$

**NOTE**  $k^2$  correction predicted independently by at least 3 approaches to biasing: peaks theory, excursion set approach, and EFTofLSS

Desjacques *et al.*, PRD 82 (2010) 103529; Musso *et al.*, MNRAS 427 (2012) 3145; Senatore, JCAP 1511 (2015) 007

Applied to real data using *Planck* 2015 lensing  $\times$  BOSS DR12 galaxies:

- Mild detection of scale-dependent bias in auto- and cross-correlation with magnitude consistent with expectations from simulations...
- ...and important improvements in limits on  $M_\nu$   
( $M_\nu < 0.3 \text{ eV} \rightarrow M_\nu < 0.23 \text{ eV}$  from *Planck* temperature+BOSS)

For more technical details - window functions, covariances, RSD modelling - see Giusarma, SV, *et al.*, PRD 98 (2018) 123526

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Scale-dependent galaxy bias induced by neutrinos: why we should worry, and a simple correction implemented in CLASS

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## Bias due to neutrinos must not uncorrect'd go

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## A complication: neutrino-induced scale-dependent bias

Neutrinos induce an additional scale-dependence in the bias (always neglected so far), so in reality: [Castorina et al., JCAP 1402 \(2014\) 049](#)

$$P_g(k) = b_m^2(k, M_\nu) P_m(k)$$

Physical reason: halo formation to leading order only responds to the CDM+b field (*i.e.* galaxies form at peaks of the CDM+b density field)

**Problem:**  $b^2(k, M_\nu)$  hard to model

## A complication: neutrino-induced scale-dependent bias

**Solution:** define the bias with respect to CDM+baryons **only**:

$$P_g(k) = b_{cb}^2(k)P_{cb}(k)$$

$b_{cb}(k)$  is **universal** ( $M_\nu$ -independent), and  $k$ -independent on linear scales.

Castorina *et al.*, JCAP 1402 (2014) 049

Linear RSD formula modified just as you expect:

$$P_g(k) = (b_{cb} + f_{cb}(k, M_\nu)\mu^2)^2 P_{cb}(k)$$

Villaescusa-Navarro *et al.*, ApJ 861 (2018) 53

**Inconsistency** in the literature: using  $b_m$  but treating it as  $b_{cb}$  Treatment of non-linearities a bit trickier

See SV *et al.*, JCAP 1809 (2018) 001 for more discussions

# Does all of this affect $P(k)$ analyses?

Not at the moment, but it will!

## Fisher matrix analysis

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### Biases from neutrino bias: to worry or not to worry?

Alvise Raccanelli, Licia Verde, Francisco Villaescusa-Navarro

*Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, sty2162,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/sty2162>

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#### Abstract

The relation between the halo field and the matter fluctuations (halo bias), in the presence of massive neutrinos depends on the total neutrino mass; massive neutrinos introduce an additional scale-dependence of the bias which is usually neglected in cosmological analyses. We investigate the magnitude of the systematic effect on interesting cosmological parameters induced by neglecting this scale dependence, finding that while it is not a problem for current surveys, it is non-negligible for future, denser or deeper ones, depending on the neutrino mass, the maximum scale used for the analyses and the details of the nuisance parameters considered. However there is a simple recipe to account for the bulk of the effect as to make it fully negligible, which we illustrate and advocate should be included in analysis of forthcoming large-scale structure surveys.

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Raccanelli et al., MNRAS 483 (2019) 734

## Full MCMC analysis

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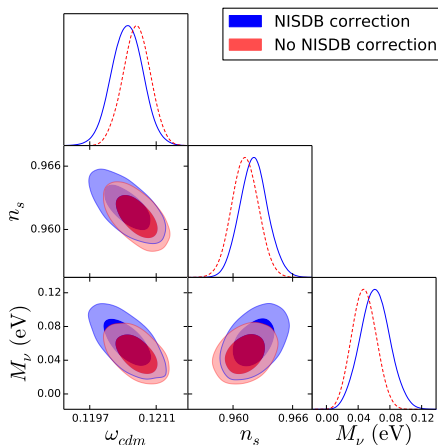
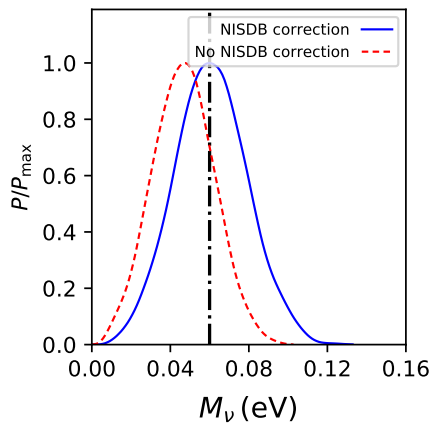
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SV et al., JCAP 1809 (2018) 001

# Neutrino-induced scale-dependent bias (NISDB)



# Neutrino-induced scale-dependent bias

**Bad news:** if you don't correct for the NISDB, you mess up not only  $M_\nu$  but also other parameters (e.g.  $\sigma_8$  and  $n_s$ )

**Good news:** our patch to CLASS is now public with v2.7 → use it!

## Version history

The development of CLASS benefits from various essential contributors credited below. In absence of specific credits, developments are written by the main CLASS authors, Julien Lesgourgues and Thomas Tram.

In case you are interested in downloading an old version, go to the [class\\_public](#) page. There is a horizontal bar with *commits*, *branches*, *releases*, *contributors*. Click releases and you'll get `zip` or `tar.gz` archives of all previous versions.

- v2.7 (10.09.2018)
  - includes a new graphical interface showing the evolution of linear perturbations in real space, useful for pedagogical purposes. To run it on a browser, read instructions in `RealSpaceInterface/README` (credits: Max Beutelspacher, Georgios Samaras)
  - when running with `n_cdm` (non cold dark matter) while asking for the matter power spectrum `mPk`, you will automatically get both the total non-relativistic matter spectrum  $P_m(k,z)$  and the baryons-plus-cdm-only (`cb`) spectrum  $P_{cb}(k,z)$ . The latter is useful e.g. for computing the power spectrum of galaxies, which traces `bc` instead of total matter (see e.g. [1311.0866](#), [1807.04672](#)). From the `classy` wrapper you get the `cb` quantities through several new functions like `pk_cb()`,



# Conclusions

- Cosmology provides **tightest** constraints on sum of  $\nu$  masses,  $M_\nu \lesssim 0.12 - 0.15$  eV (assuming  $\Lambda$ CDM)
- **Mild preference** for normal ordering due to volume effects  $\rightarrow$  think carefully about your prior
- Lots of room for improvement in treatment of **galaxy bias** through CMB lensing-galaxy cross-correlations
- Time to move beyond constant linear bias (**scale-dependent bias**)
- Beware and correct for **systematic** effects as scale-dependent galaxy bias due to neutrinos (correct for it in CLASS v2.7)!