

Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking in SN Neutrino Oscillations

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EQUATIONS OF MOTION FOR A DENSE NEUTRINO GAS

$$\partial_t \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} + \dot{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} = -i [\Omega_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}}, \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}}]$$

Liouville operator

Hamiltonian

$\partial_t \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} \longrightarrow$ Explicit time evolution

$\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} \longrightarrow$ Drift term due to space inhomogeneities

$\dot{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \varrho_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} \longrightarrow$ Force term acting on neutrinos
(negligible)

$$\Omega_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}} = \Omega_{vac} + \Omega_{matt} + \Omega_{\nu\nu}$$

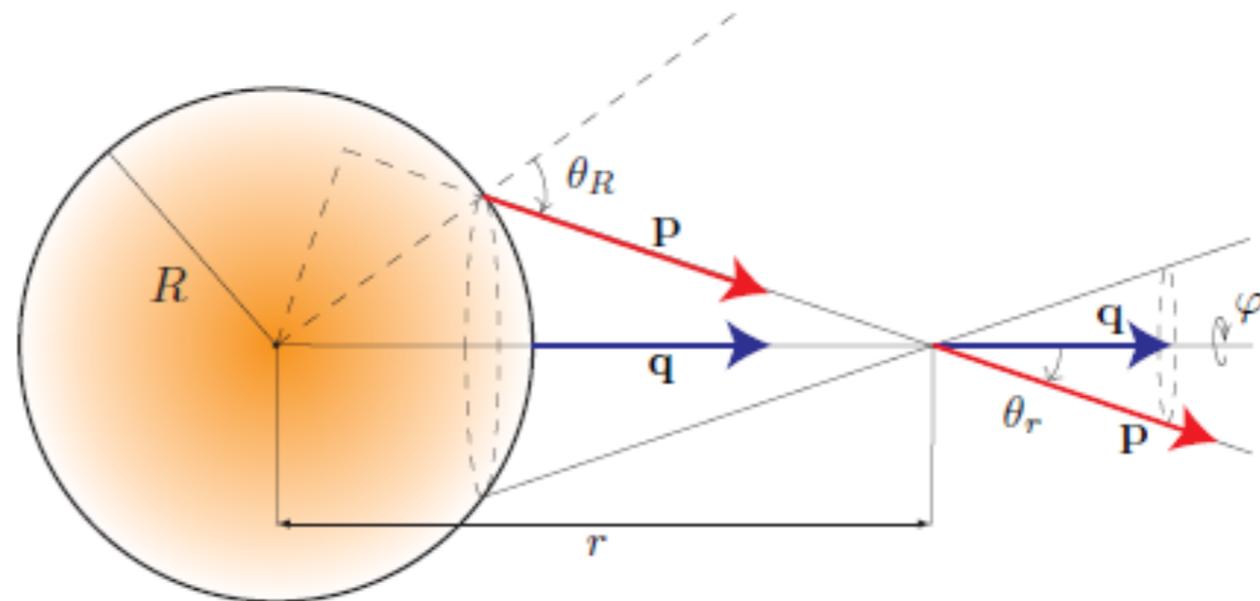
7-dimensional problem never solved in its complete form. **Symmetries** have been used to reduce the complexity of the problem.

TIME HOMOGENEITY

$$\cancel{\partial_t \rho_{p,x}} + v_p \cdot \nabla_x \rho_{p,x} = -i[\Omega_{p,x}, \rho_{p,x}]$$

Stationary space evolution (SN neutrinos)

Numerical approach typically based on the so called “Bulb Model”



Further simplification: *pure radial dynamics* $\longrightarrow v_p \cdot \nabla_x \rightarrow v_r d/dr$

Many numerical investigations were possible within this model

ATTEMPT BEYOND THE “BULB MODEL”

Validity of bulb model recently questioned removing some of the symmetries...

→ new instabilities can be triggered in the flavor evolutions

MAA instability

~~Axial~~ symmetry in ν propag. → breaking of the spherical symmetry after the onset of oscillations. Matter effects can suppress this effects

*Raffelt, Sarikas & Seixas, 1305.7140; Duan, 1309.7377;
Chackraborty & Mirizzi 1308.5255;
Chackraborty, Mirizzi, Saviano and Seixas, 1402.1767...*

Breaking of space-time symmetries by self-interacting ν

~~Translational~~ symmetry in time

*Mangano, Mirizzi, Saviano, 1403.1892
Dasgupta & Mirizzi, 1509.03171...*

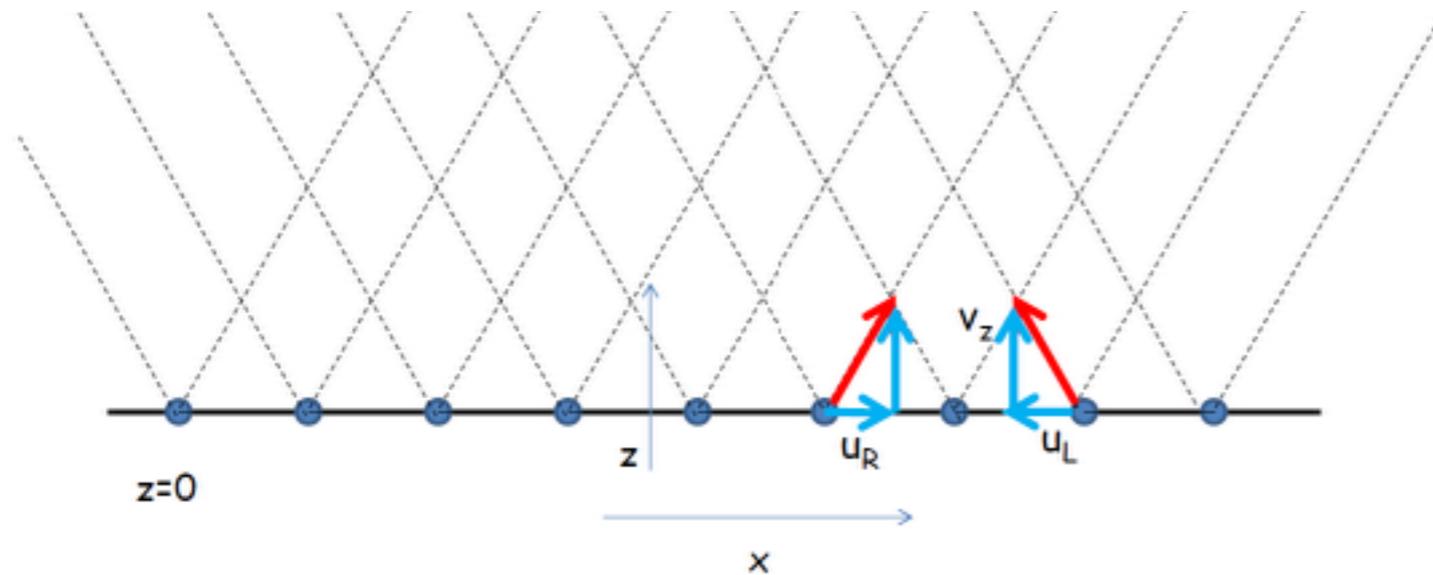
~~Translational~~ symmetry in space

*Duan & Shalgar, 1412.7097; Mirizzi, Mangano, Saviano, 1503.03485,
Mirizzi, 1506.06805; Chakraborty, Hansen, Izaguirre, Raffelt, 1507.07569*

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SPACE INHOMOGENEITIES: $E_{\nu M}$ FOR THE 2D MODEL

ν evolving in the plane (x,z) emitted from an infinite plane at $z=0$,
in only two directions (L and R). Excess of ν_e over $\bar{\nu}_e$ ($=\alpha$)



$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\zeta} = (u_{\zeta}, 0, v_z) \quad (\zeta = L, R)$$

$$0 < v_z < 1$$

For the L mode: (analogous for the R mode: $L \longleftrightarrow R$ symmetry)

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_L \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} P_L(x, z) = [+ \omega B + \mu D_R(x, z)] \times P_L(x, z)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_L \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \bar{P}_L(x, z) = [- \omega B + \mu D_R(x, z)] \times \bar{P}_L(x, z)$$

$$\rho_p = \frac{1}{2}(1 + P \cdot \sigma) \quad \text{Two-flavor polarization vectors}$$

$$D_{L,R} = P_{L,R} - \bar{P}_{L,R}$$

$$\omega = \frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} \quad \text{Vacuum oscillation frequency}$$

$$B \cdot \hat{e}_3 = -\cos\theta \quad \text{Mass eigenstate direction in flavor space}$$

$$\mu = \sqrt{2}G_F [F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0 - F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0] (1 - \hat{\mathbf{v}}_L \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}}_R) \quad \nu\text{-}\nu \text{ potential} \quad (F^0 \text{ flux at the boundary})$$

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Non-linear interaction:

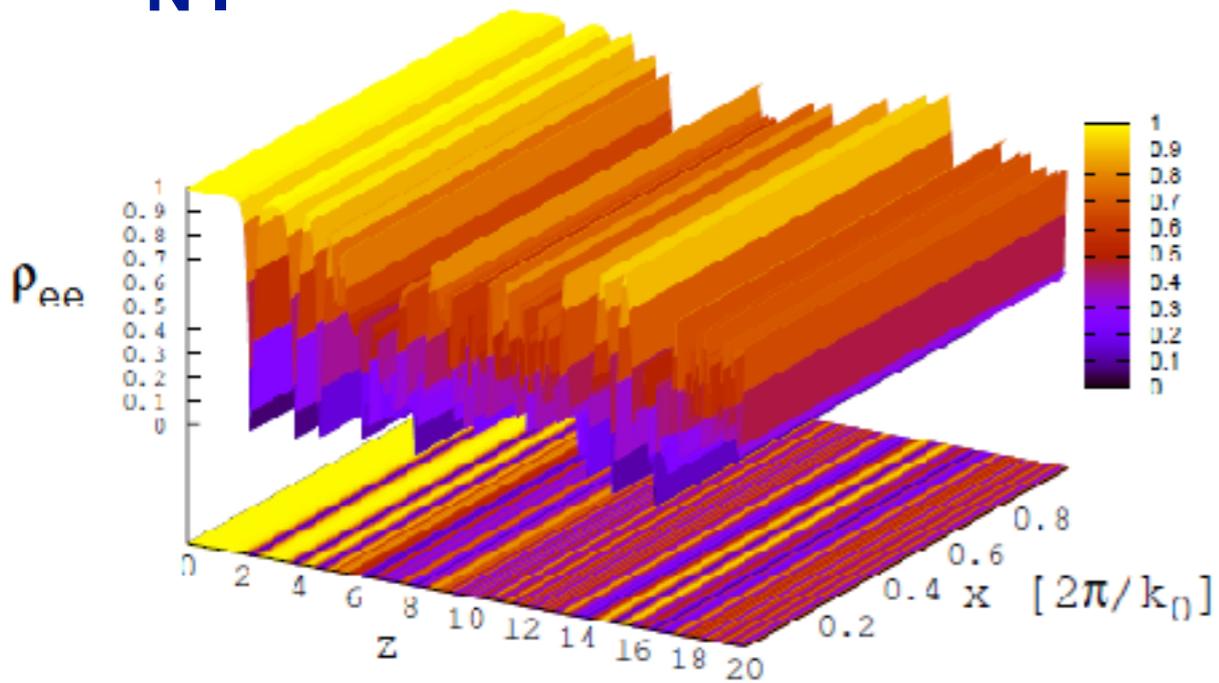
$$v_z \frac{d}{dz} P_{L,n}(z) = -iu_L k_n P_{L,n} + \omega B \times P_{L,n} + \mu \sum_{j=-\infty}^{+\infty} D_{R,n-j} \times P_{L,j}$$

$$k_n = nk_0$$

Solution in real space by inverse Fourier transform $P(x, z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk P_k(z) e^{ikx}$

2D FLAVOR EVOLUTION IN THE PLANE

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AXIAL \Leftrightarrow L-R

SPHERICAL \Leftrightarrow TRANSLATIONAL

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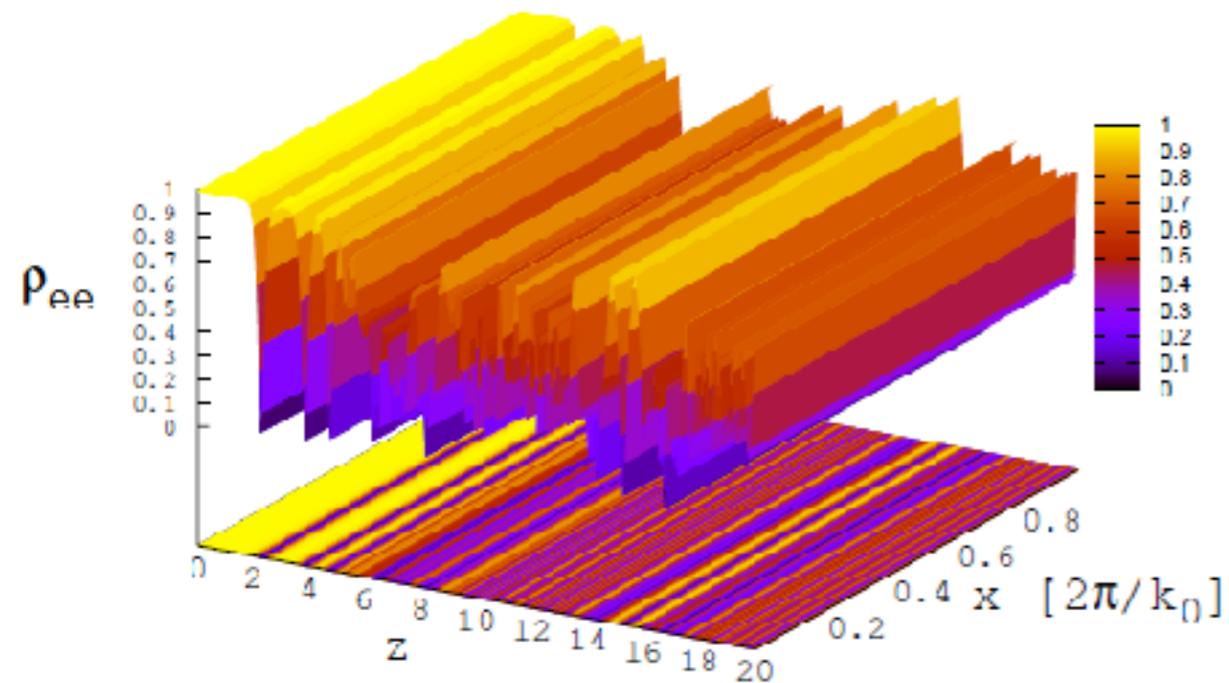
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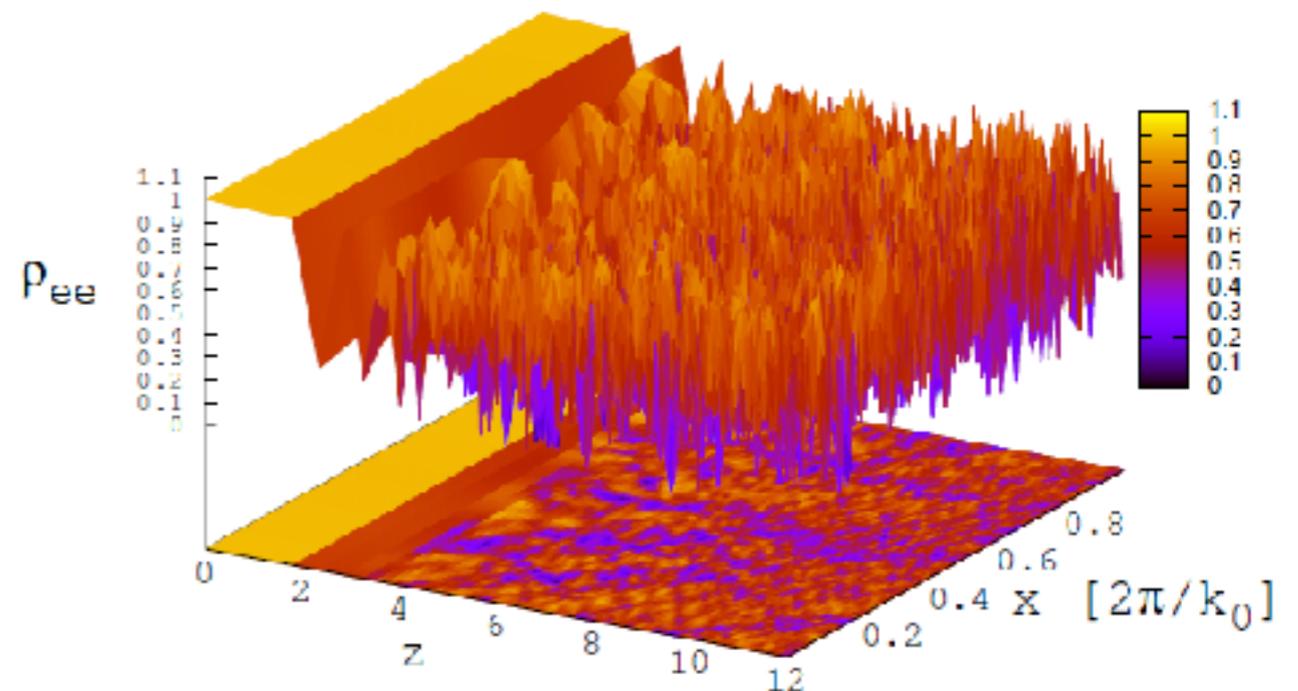
$$\mu = 10, \omega = 1, \alpha = 0.3$$

$$k_0 = 0.2\sqrt{2\omega\mu}$$

Large variations in the x direction at smaller and smaller scales.

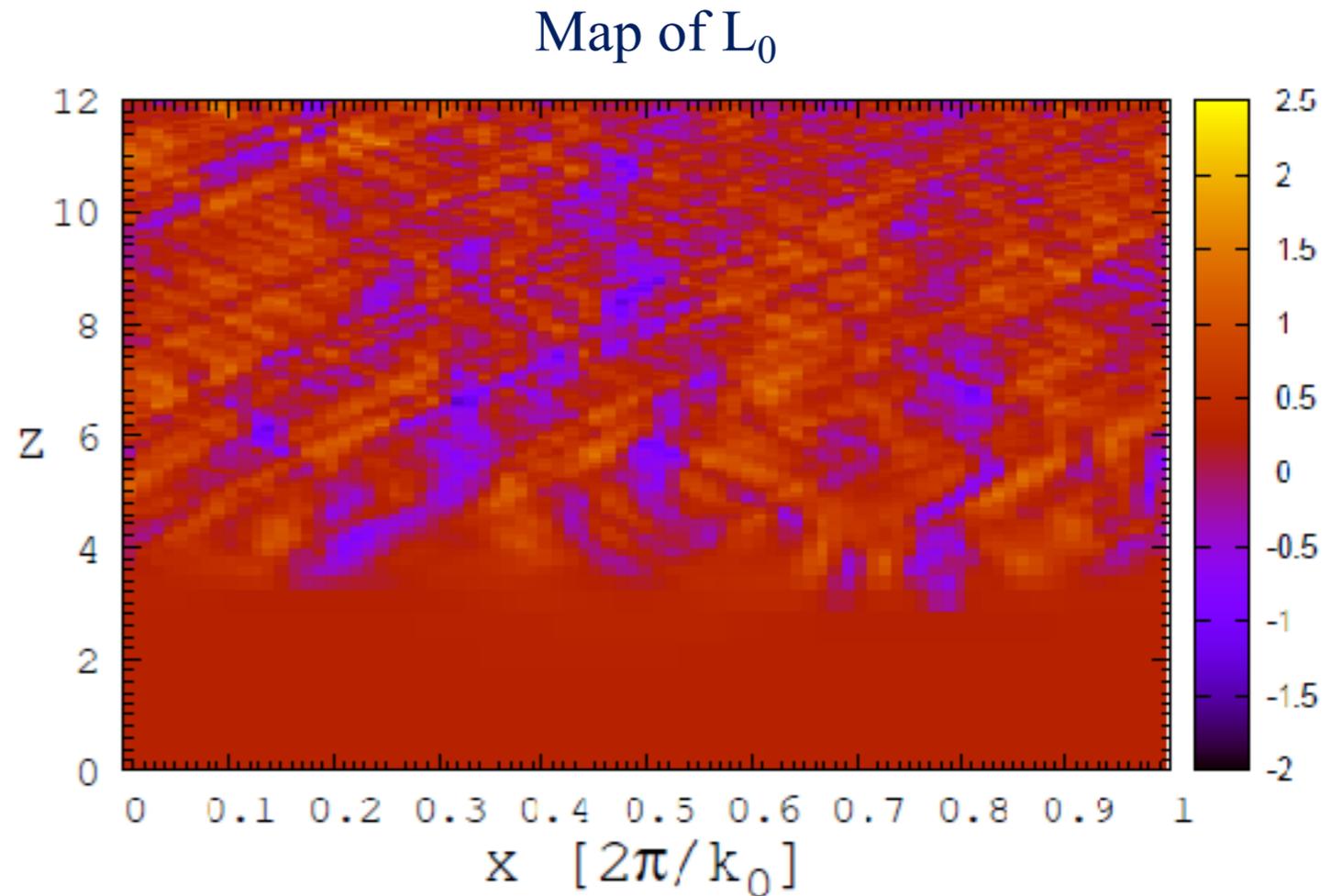
Planes of common phase broken.

Coherent behavior of oscillation lost.



LEPTON NUMBER

Large space variations of the initial ν - ν asymmetry α



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L_0 shows a non-trivial domain structure with different net lepton number flux

Lepton current $L^\mu = (L_0, L)$

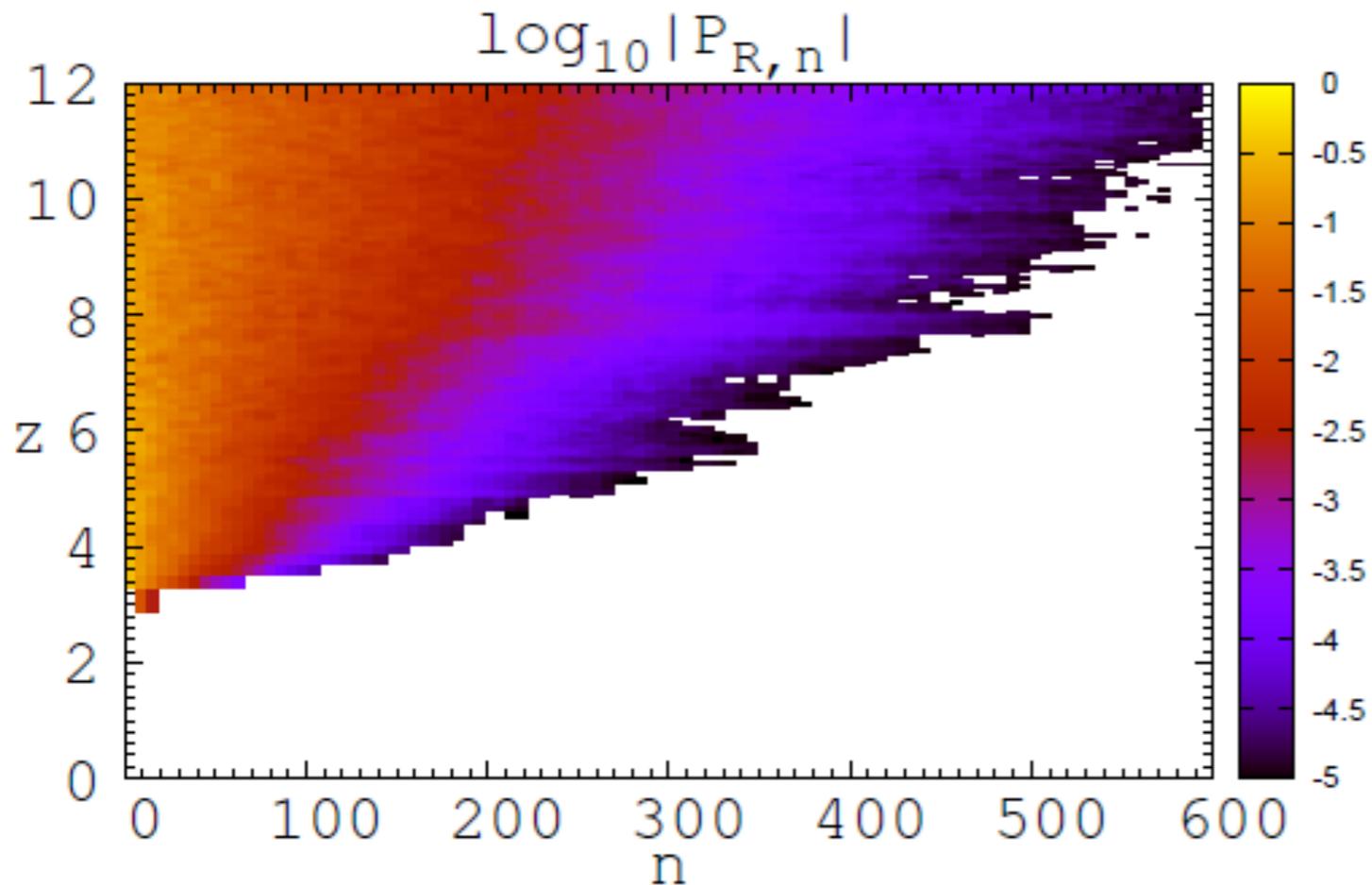
$$L_0 = D_L \cdot B + D_R \cdot B ,$$

$$L = \hat{v}_L(D_L \cdot B) + \hat{v}_R(D_R \cdot B)$$

Continuity equation

$$\partial_t L_0 + \nabla_x \cdot L = \nabla_x \cdot L = 0$$

GROWTH OF FOURIER MODES



Evolution of different Fourier modes in the plane n - z

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Growth of $n > 0$ modes in Fourier space. Cascade process. Flavor wave diffuses to higher harmonics (smaller scales)

ANALOGY WITH A TURBULENT FLUID

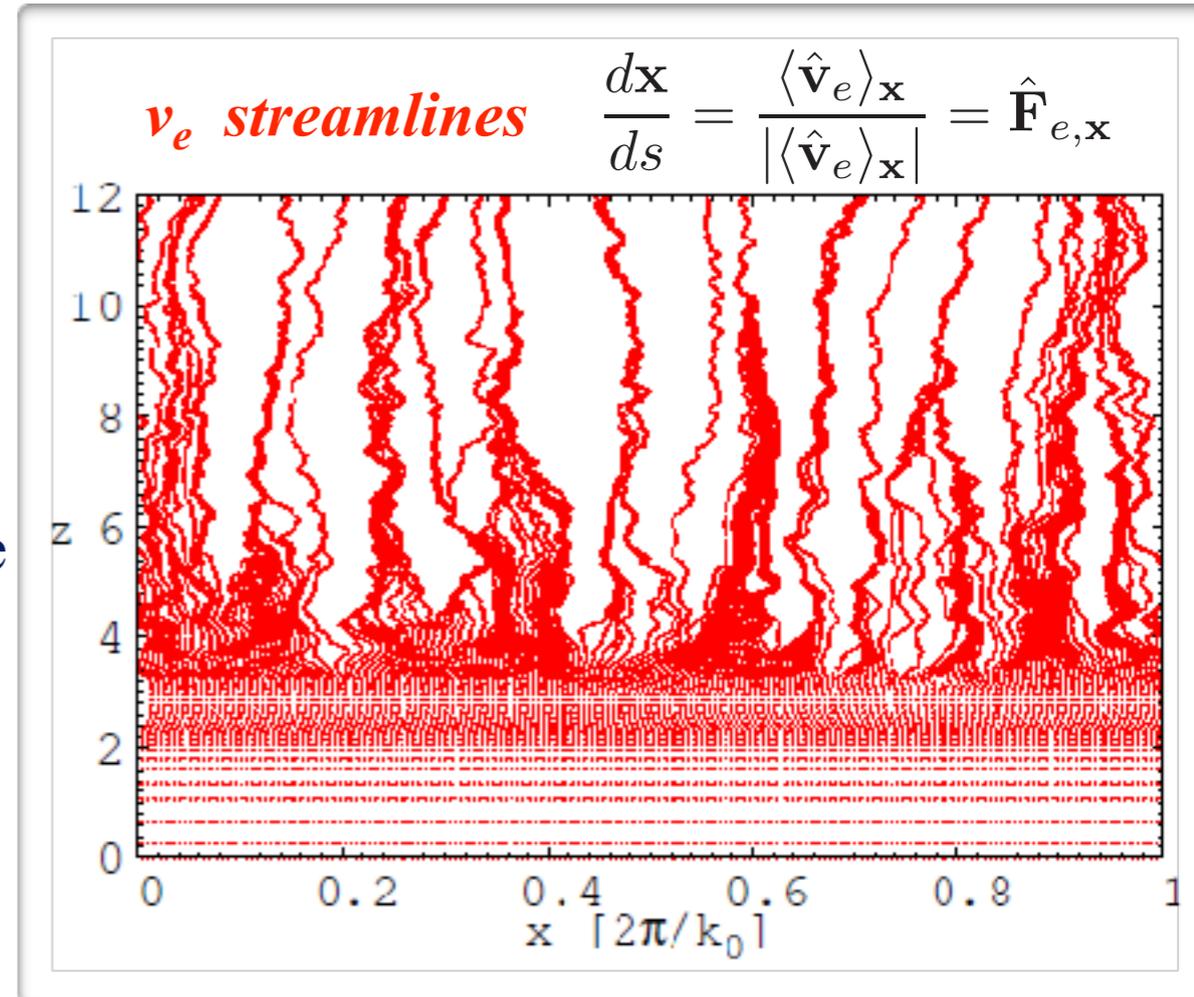
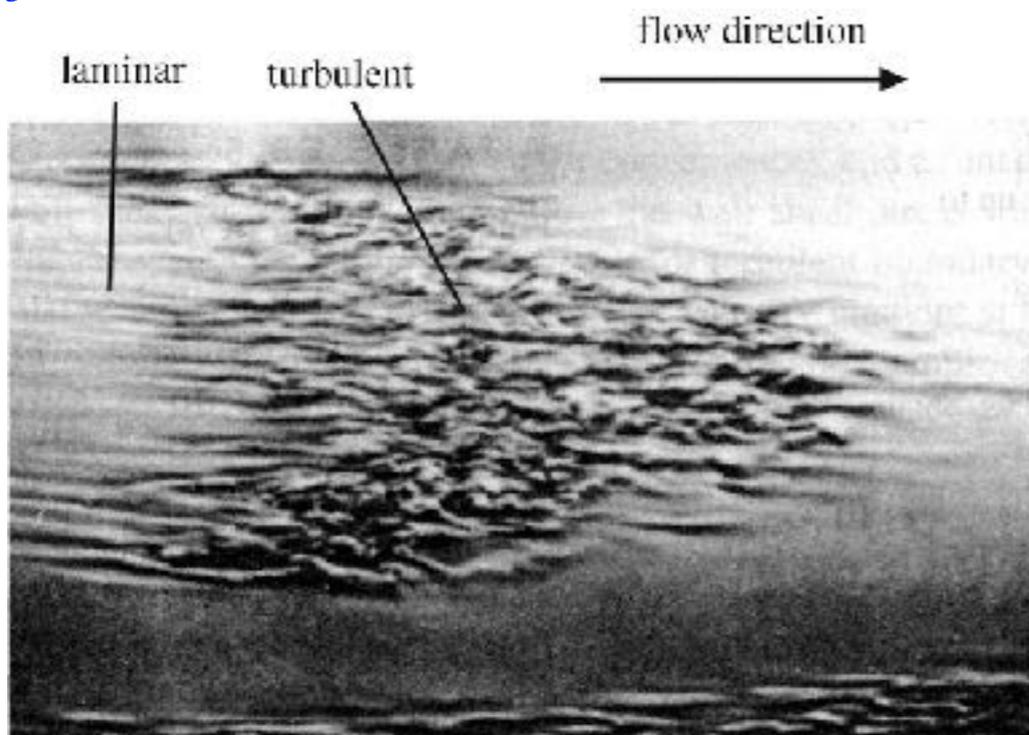
v_e average velocity: $\langle \hat{v}_e \rangle_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\rho_{ee,L} \hat{v}_L + \rho_{ee,R} \hat{v}_R}{\rho_{ee,L} + \rho_{ee,R}}$

Symmetry unbroken: $\langle \hat{v}_e \rangle_{\mathbf{x}} \simeq v_z$

~~TRANSLATIONAL~~: $\langle \hat{v}_e \rangle_{\mathbf{x}}$ starts to acquire a transverse component in the x direction

Streamlines irregular, no longer $\parallel z$ and large variations

fluid streamlines



Analogy between the behaviour of v gas in this model and the behaviour of a streaming fluid:

transition btw the **coherent** \rightarrow **incoherent** behaviour of the v oscillations

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transition btw the **laminar** \rightarrow **turbulent** behaviour of a fluid.
(Non-linear Navier-Stokes equations)

OPEN ISSUES

How to get from toy models to real SNe?

(Neutrino momentum distribution not limited to "outward" direction; Important "halo" flux even at large distance; Large 3 D effects (in toy model symmetric boundary is assumed))

Which is the outcome of self-induced flavor conversions?

(Probably spectral swaps and splits are possible only in bulb model; Is flavor decoherence generic in the presence of inhomogeneities?)

Which is the experimental strategy to test this possible outcome?

(Till now most of pheno studies focussed on signatures of swaps and splits.
Still lacking studies on how to test the flavor equilibrium, i.e. equal ν flavor fluxes)

Which is the impact on SN physics?

(Are possible self-induced flavor conversions below the shock-wave?, If yes, does it help the shock revival? How to test in schematic way in SN simulations?)

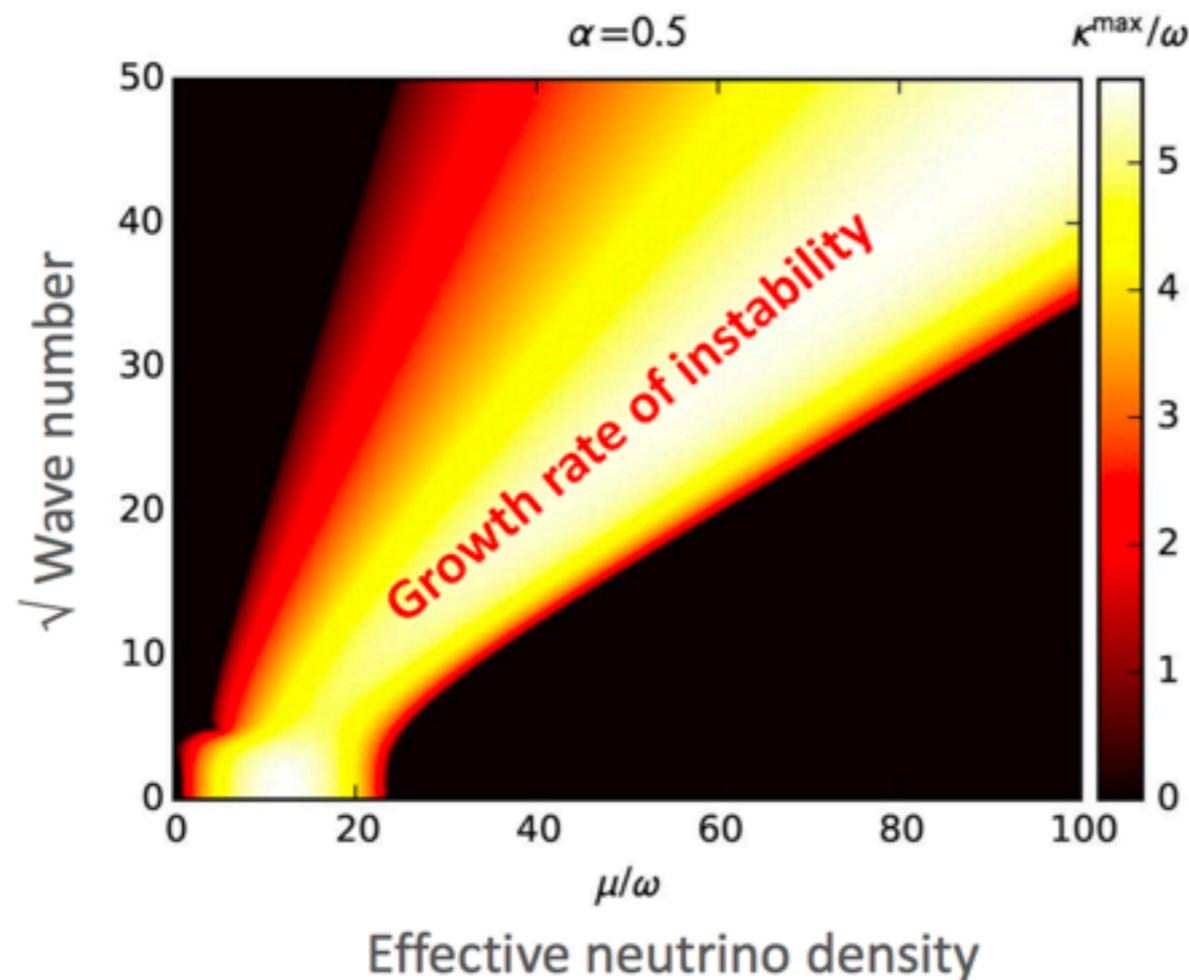
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Spatial Symmetry Breaking (SSB)



Linearized stability analysis for
colliding-beam model

Duan & Shalgar, arXiv:1412.7097

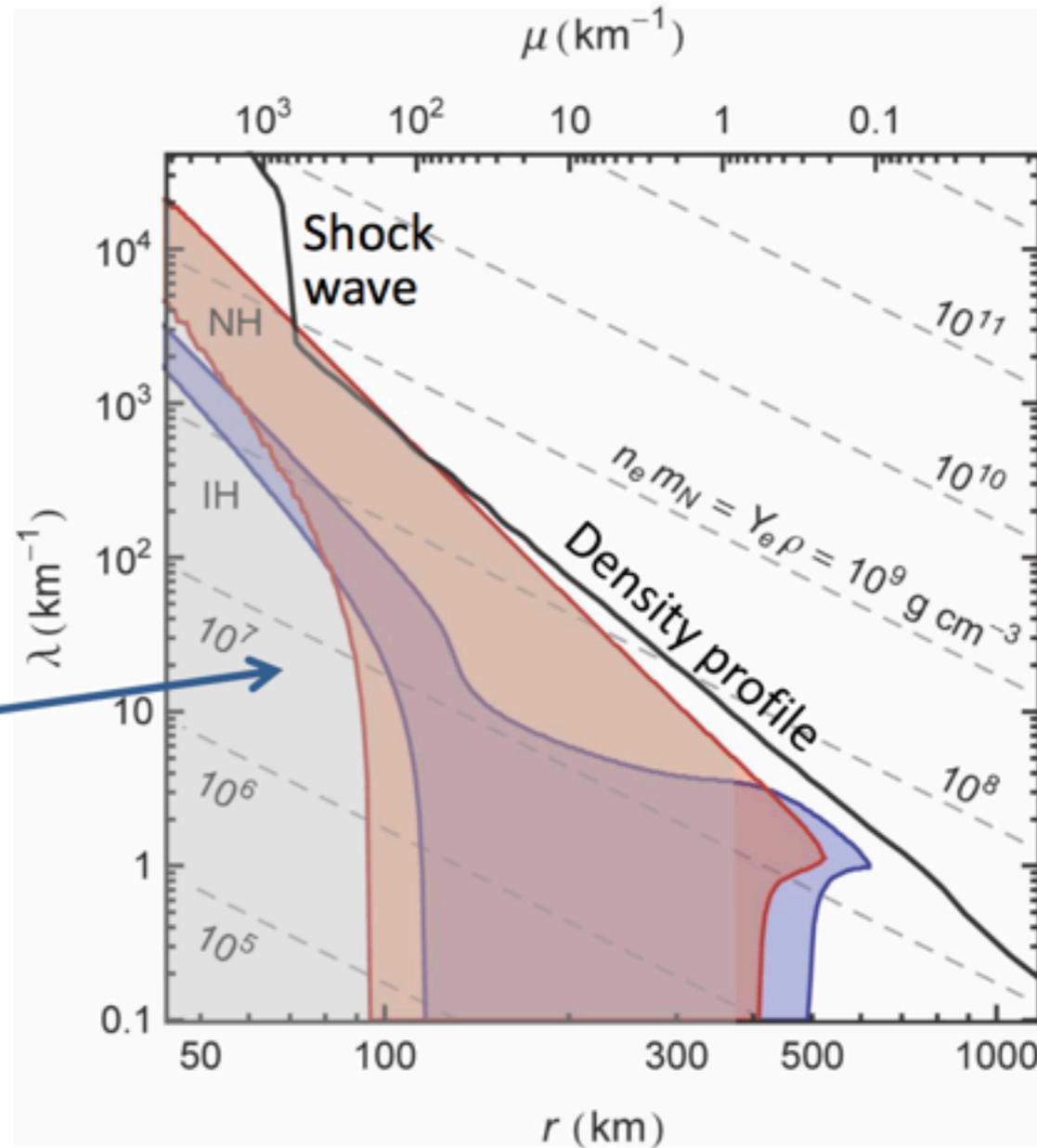


- Instability footprint shifted to larger neutrino density μ for larger wave number k
- For any neutrino density, unstable for some k -range
- No flavor-stable conditions exist for homogeneous neutrino gas (no "sleeping top" regime)

From Georg's presentation

Small-Scale Instabilities

- Small-scale modes “fill in” the stability footprint for large neutrino density
- Largest-scale mode is “most dangerous” to cross SN density profile



Chakraborty, Hansen, Izaguirre & Raffelt,

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MULTI-ANGLE CASE

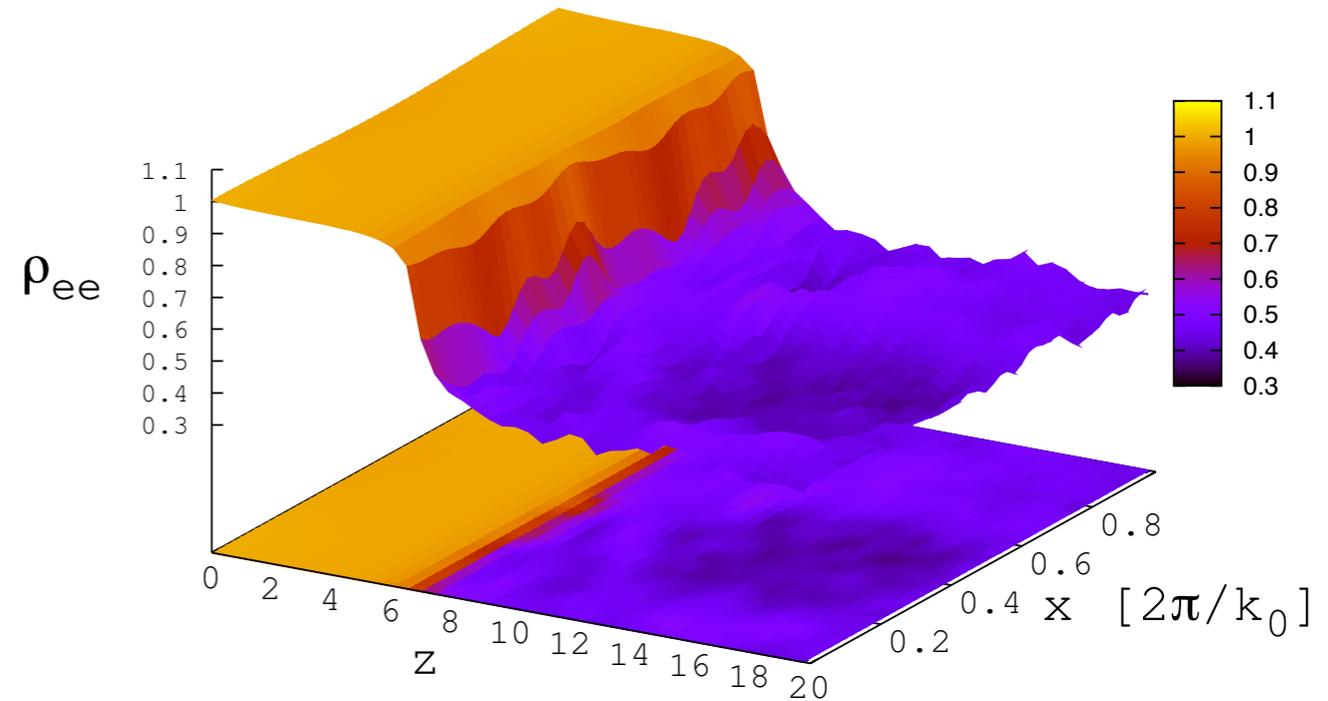
With respect to the model considered before we assume $\alpha = 1, \dots, N$ neutrino emission modes labeled in terms of the velocities $\hat{v}_\alpha = (v_{x,\alpha}, 0, v_{z,\alpha})$, whose components are $v_{x,\alpha} = \cos \vartheta_\alpha$ and $v_{z,\alpha} = \sin \vartheta_\alpha$

Modification with respect to the single-angle case:

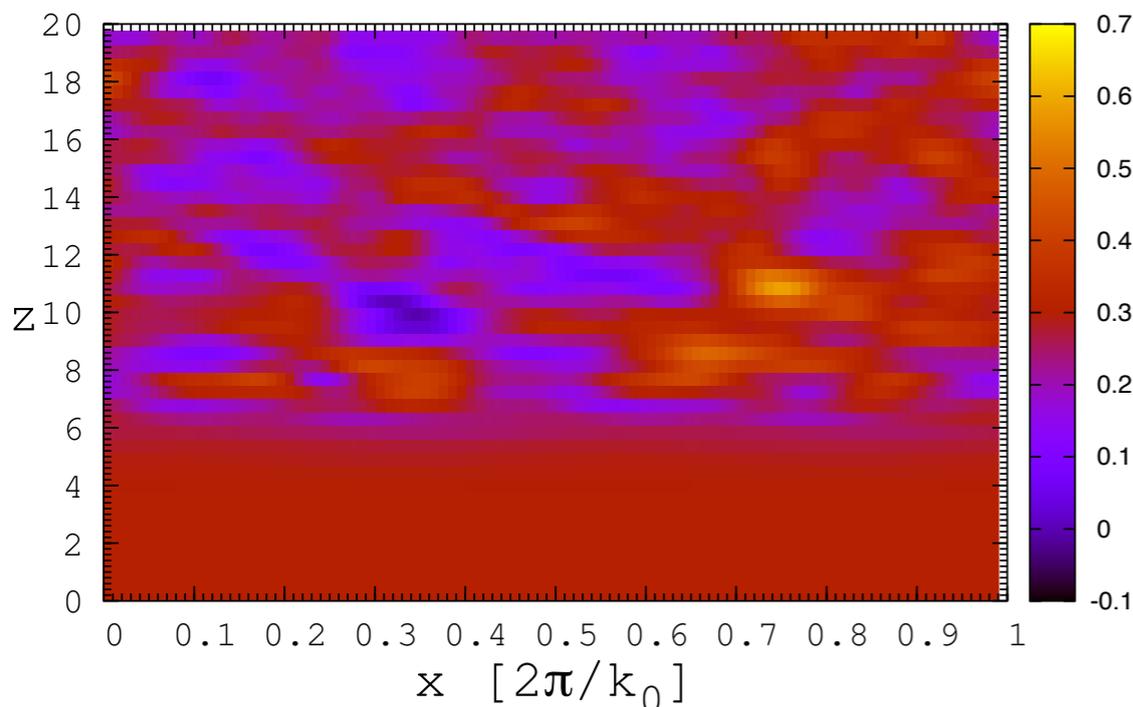
Flavor equilibrium with $\rho_{ee}(x,z) \approx 0.5$ across the plane.

The flavor variations along the x direction are smoothed with respect to the single-angle case being at most $\sim 20\%$

Multi-angle decoherence



Spatial variation of L_0 reduced



Number of excited Fourier modes reduced

reason: when the decoherence quickly starts the length of $|P_0|$ is significantly shortened, reducing the growth of the higher order harmonics

