SPECTRUM OF THE SUPERNOVA RELIC NEUTRINO BACKGROUND AND METALLICITY EVOLUTION OF GALAXIES

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ABSTRACT

The spectrum of the supernova relic neutrino (SRN) background from past stellar collapses including black hole formation (failed supernovae) is calculated. The redshift dependence of the black hole formation rate is considered on the basis of the metallicity evolution of galaxies. Assuming the mass and metallicity ranges of failed supernova progenitors, their contribution to SRNs is quantitatively estimated for the first time. Using this model, the dependences of SRNs on the cosmic star formation rate density (CSFRD), shock revival time, and equation of state (EOS) are investigated. The shock revival time is introduced as a parameter that should depend on the still unknown explosion mechanism of core collapse supernovae. The dependence on EOS is considered for failed supernovae, whose collapse dynamics and neutrino emission are certainly affected. It is found that the low-energy spectrum of SRNs is mainly determined by the CSFRD. These low-energy events will be observed in the Super-Kamiokande experiment with gadolinium-loaded water.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Since the creation of the universe, many generations of stars have been born and died. During cosmic evolution, stars eject synthesized elements by stellar winds or explosions such as supernovae, and the ejecta are mixed with the interstellar gas. Therefore, the mass fraction of elements heavier than carbon (metallicity), Z, increases gradually with cosmic time. Meanwhile, many neutrinos are emitted from core collapse supernova (CCSN) explosions of massive stars and accumulate to give a diffuse background radiation that is redshifted owing to cosmic expansion. These neutrinos are called the supernova relic neutrino (SRN) background, or the diffuse supernova neutrino background in some papers.

Neutrinos emitted from a supernova have actually been detected for SN1987A (e.g., Bionta et al. 1987; Hirata et al. 1987; Alexeyev et al. 1998). In the observation of SRNs, on the other hand, terrestrial neutrino detectors are affected by various backgrounds such as solar neutrinos, reactor neutrinos, atmospheric neutrinos and contamination by cosmic muon events, radio activity events and so forth. However, some observational upper bounds for the flux of SRNs have been reported (e.g., Malek et al. 2003). Roughly speaking, all species of neutrinos (νe, νμ, ντ, ¯νe, ¯νμ, ¯ντ) are equally emitted from a supernova with average energies of ~10 MeV. Nowadays, SRNs with ¯ντ of approximately 20 MeV are expected to be observable in running experiments. The most stringent limits reported for ¯ντ flux were obtained in the Super-Kamiokande experiment as <0.1–1 cm−2 s−1 MeV−1 for neutrino energies between 17.3 and 30.8 MeV (Bays et al. 2012) and in the KamLAND experiment as <10–100 cm−2 s−1 MeV−1 between 8.3 and 18.3 MeV (Gando et al. 2012). Super-Kamiokande derived a new upper limit of <5–30 cm−2 s−1 MeV−1 for energies between 13.3 and 17.3 MeV by performing a new analysis with a neutron-tagging technique (Zhang et al. 2015). In Figure 1, we show the upper limits for ¯ντ flux with theoretical estimations presented later in this paper. For νe flux, the SNO experiment obtained an upper limit of 70 cm−2 s−1 MeV−1 for energies between 22.9 and 36.9 MeV (Aharmim et al. 2006). These observational upper limits are larger than various theoretical predictions (e.g., Ando & Sato 2004; Beacom 2010, and references therein). Nevertheless, the Super-Kamiokande upper limit is reasonably close to the predictions; thus, it is expected that SRNs will be observed in the near future.

Cosmic metallicity evolution has been proven by observations of galaxies (e.g., Maiolino et al. 2008, hereafter M08). Recently, the correlation between the metallicity and the star formation rate (SFR) of galaxies has been studied for various ranges of the cosmic redshift parameter z (e.g., Mannucci et al. 2010; Yabe et al. 2012, 2014; Zahid et al. 2014). Since metals have strong effects on opacity and control the cooling rate and luminosity of star-forming clouds, SFR depends on the metallicity. On the other hand, SFR determines the amount of metals ejected from stars and governs the metallicity evolution. Among the newly born stars, those with mass of ≥10 M⊙ undergo gravitational collapse to cause a CCSN or, if they fail to explode, form a black hole. Combining the SFR of individual galaxies with the galaxy distribution, the cosmic star formation rate density (CSFRD) and total core-collapse rate can be determined at each redshift. Therefore, the flux of SRNs is closely related to the evolution of galaxies (Totani et al. 1996).

Metallicity affects not only star formation but also stellar evolution. Since the stellar opacity and mass loss rate vary with the metallicity, the final fate of stars depends on the metallicity as well as the initial mass, M. Some progenitors may result in black-hole-forming failed supernovae depending on their mass and metallicity. They will contribute to the flux of SRNs because neutrinos are also emitted from them with higher luminosity and mean energy than those from ordinary CCSN (e.g., Sumiyoshi et al. 2006). The spectrum of SRNs that will be observed is the convolution of the neutrino spectra emitted from core collapses of progenitors with various masses and metallicities. Conversely, the observation of SRNs will provide useful information not only on supernova neutrinos themselves.
but also on cosmological evolutions of the star formation and metallicity.

In this study, we construct a model spectrum of SRNs using the metallicity distribution function derived from models of galaxy evolution for the first time. Using this model, we investigate some uncertainties in SRNs, namely CSFRD, the explosion mechanism and the nuclear equation of state (EOS). It is pointed out that most of the theoretical models for galaxy formation underpredict CSFRD compared with observations at $z \gtrsim 1$ (e.g., Kobayashi et al. 2013, hereafter K13). The explosion mechanism of a CCSN is still uncertain. Most numerical simulations reveal that the shock wave launched at the bounce of the outer core stalls on the way to the core surface and that some mechanism such as neutrino heating acts to revive the shock wave leading to the supernova explosion (e.g., Kotake et al. 2012). The nuclear EOS, which is also still unknown, affects the collapse dynamics and neutrino emission, especially for failed supernovae (e.g., Sumiyoshi et al. 2006).

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present the formulation of the SRN spectrum. Issues on neutrino oscillation are also given. In Section 3, the models of galaxy evolution used in this study are described. We explain numerical models of the neutrino spectra emitted from various progenitors in Section 4. Here we introduce the shock revival time as a parameter that reflects the unknown explosion mechanism. In addition, we report a new result for a failed supernova with a different EOS. In Section 5, we show the results for the spectrum of SRNs and the event rate for Super-Kamiokande over 1 yr. We also investigate the uncertainties of the CSFRD, shock revival time and EOS for black hole formation. Finally, Section 6 is devoted to a conclusion and discussion.

2. FORMULATION OF SRN BACKGROUND

In this study, we construct a model spectrum of SRNs taking into account cosmic metallicity evolution. Since SRNs originate from various progenitors, their dependence of the neutrino emission affects the spectrum. Here we assume that the progenitors are characterized by their initial mass, $M$, and metallicity, $Z$. Then the flux of SRNs on the Earth is written as

$$
dF(E_{\nu})
dE_{\nu} = c \int_{0}^{z_{\text{max}}} \frac{dz}{H_0 \Omega_m (1 + z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda} \times R_{\text{CC}}(z) \int_{0}^{z_{\text{max}}} \psi_{\text{ZF}}(z, Z) \times \left[ \int_{M_{\text{min}}}^{M_{\text{max}}} \psi_{\text{IMF}}(M) \frac{dN(M, Z, E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}} dM \right] dZ, \tag{1}$$

with velocity of light $c$ and cosmological constants $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, $\Omega_m = 0.3$ and $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.7$. The neutrino energy on the Earth, $E_{\nu}$, is related to that at the redshift $z$, $E'_{\nu}$, as $E'_{\nu} = (1 + z)E_{\nu}$. The total core-collapse rate, $R_{\text{CC}}(z)$, is determined by CSFRD, which is stated in Section 3.1. The neutrino number spectrum from the core collapse of a progenitor with mass $M$ and metallicity $Z$, $dN(M, Z, E'_{\nu})/dE_{\nu}$, includes the effect of neutrino oscillation, which is stated below. Note that, in our model, not only ordinary supernovae but also black-hole-forming collapses without an explosion are considered. Meanwhile, $\psi_{\text{IMF}}(M)$ and $\psi_{\text{ZF}}(z, Z)$ are the initial mass function and metallicity distribution function of progenitors, respectively, which are normalized as $\int_{M_{\text{min}}}^{M_{\text{max}}} \psi_{\text{IMF}}(M) dM = \int_{z_{\text{min}}}^{z_{\text{max}}} \psi_{\text{ZF}}(z, Z) dZ = 1$.

While the initial-mass dependence of progenitors was studied previously (Nakazato et al. 2006; Lunardini & Tamborra 2012; Nakazato 2013), the metallicity dependence is also considered in our study. Note that $\psi_{\text{ZF}}(z, Z)$ is a function of the redshift $z$ due to the cosmic metallicity evolution. We use the metallicity distribution function derived from models of galaxy evolution later in Section 3.2.

As already mentioned, we should take into account neutrino oscillation in the evaluation of SRN spectra. Hereafter, with the Super-Kamiokande experiment in mind, we concentrate on $\bar{\nu}_e$. The number spectrum of $\bar{\nu}_e$ in Equation (1), $dN_{\bar{\nu}_e}(M, Z, E_{\nu})/dE_{\nu}$, is a mixture of spectra of neutrinos originally produced as $\bar{\nu}_e$, $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, and $\bar{\nu}_\tau$ and is written as

$$
dN_{\bar{\nu}_e}(M, Z, E_{\nu})
dE_{\nu} = \bar{P}_{ee} \frac{dN_{0}(M, Z, E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}} + \bar{P}_{\mu e} \frac{dN_{0}(M, Z, E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}} + \bar{P}_{\tau e} \frac{dN_{0}(M, Z, E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}} + (1 - \bar{P}) \frac{dN_{0}(M, Z, E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}}, \tag{2}$$

where $\bar{P}_{\alpha e}$ ($\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$) is a conversion probability from $\bar{\nu}_\alpha$ to $\bar{\nu}_e$ satisfying $\bar{P}_{ee} + \bar{P}_{\mu e} + \bar{P}_{\tau e} = 1$, and $\bar{P} (= \bar{P}_{ee})$ is the survival probability of $\bar{\nu}_e$ passing through stellar envelopes and space (Dighe & Smirnov 2000). Meanwhile, $dN_{0}(M, Z, E_{\nu})/dE_{\nu}$ is the original spectrum of $\bar{\nu}_e$. Note that the original spectra of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and $\bar{\nu}_\tau$ are almost identical because $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and $\bar{\nu}_\tau$ do not have...
charged-current reactions around the neutrino-emitting surface of a supernova core and, therefore, both of them can be denoted as \(dN^0_{\nu}(M, Z, E_{\nu})/dE_{\nu}\). These original spectra are taken from the Supernova Neutrino Database (Nakazato et al. 2013).

The flavor eigenstates of antineutrinos, \(|\bar{\nu}_i\rangle\), are linear combinations of the energy eigenstates in vacuum, \(|\bar{\nu}_i\rangle\) \((i = 1, 2, 3\) with neutrino masses \(m_1, m_2, m_3\), respectively):

\[
|\bar{\nu}_i\rangle = \sum_i U_{i\alpha}^* |\bar{\nu}_{\alpha}\rangle,
\]

where the mixing matrix \(U\) can be expressed as

\[
U_{\alpha i} = \begin{pmatrix}
c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta}
\end{pmatrix},
\]

with mixing angles \(\theta_{12}, \theta_{23}, \theta_{13}\), CP phase \(\delta\) (we set \(\delta = 0\) in this study), and \(s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}, c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}\). The three mixing angles have been measured in several experiments/observations: \(\sin^2 \theta_{12} \sim 0.31, \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sim 0.44, \sin^2 \theta_{13} \sim 0.02\) (Olive et al. 2014). Using the matrix elements of \(U\), the number spectrum of \(\bar{\nu}\) is denoted as (Dighe & Smirnov 2000)

\[
dN_{\bar{\nu}}/dE_{\nu} = |U_{1\alpha}|^2dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu} + |U_{2\alpha}|^2dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu} + |U_{3\alpha}|^2dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu}
\]

\[
= \cos^2 \theta_{12} \cos^2 \theta_{13} dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu} + \sin^2 \theta_{12} \cos^2 \theta_{13} dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu} + \sin^2 \theta_{13} dN_{\nu}/dE_{\nu},
\]

and \(P = 0.68\) for the normal mass hierarchy. For the inverted mass hierarchy, Equation (5) becomes

\[
dN_{\bar{\nu}}/dE_{\nu} \sim dN^0_{\nu}/dE_{\nu},
\]

where we neglect the small value of \(\sin^2 \theta_{13} \sim 0.02\). This means a complete transition (\(P = 0\)). Incidentally, we do not take into account the breaking of adiabaticity due to the shock wave propagation (e.g., Galais et al. 2010), which should be minor for a time-integrated signal (Kawagoe et al. 2010). We also neglect neutrino–antineutrino collective effects (e.g., Chakraborty et al. 2011; Dasgupta et al. 2012), whose contribution to SRNs is estimated to be about 5–10\% (Lunardini & Tamborra 2012).

### 3. MODELS OF GALAXY EVOLUTION

To derive a realistic spectrum of SRNs, it is mandatory to use a reliable core-collapse rate based on models of galaxy evolution. Here we consider the stellar mass, \(M_\star\), SFR, \(M_{\rm{BH}}\), and metallicity, \(12+\log_{10}(\text{O/H})\), of galaxies. The SFR of galaxies is responsible for the CSFRD, \(\rho_{\text{SFR}}(z)\), and the metallicity of galaxies corresponds to that of the progenitors in them. Furthermore, \(M_\star, M_{\text{BH}}\) and \(12+\log_{10}(\text{O/H})\) are related to each other (e.g., Brinchmann et al. 2004; Tremonti et al. 2004; Salim et al. 2007; Mannucci et al. 2010, 2011; Niino 2012). In this study, for our reference model, we adopt the galaxy stellar mass function and mass-dependent SFR proposed by Drory & Alvarez (2008, hereafter DA08) as functions of redshift, and the redshift-dependent mass–metallicity relation from M08 is utilized. We also consider other models for comparison.

#### 3.1. Cosmic Star Formation Rate Density

In DA08, the redshift evolution of the stellar mass function is presented on the basis of the data spanning \(0 < z < 5\) (Drory et al. 2005). It is assumed to have a Schechter form and is written as

\[
\phi_{\text{SMF}}(M_\star, z) dM_\star = \phi_0(z) \left( \frac{M_\star}{M^\text{DA08}_0(z)} \right)^{\alpha^\text{DA08}} \times \exp \left( -\frac{M_\star}{M^\text{DA08}_0(z)} \right) \frac{dM_\star}{M^\text{DA08}_0(z)},
\]

where the best-fitting parameterization is

\[
\phi_0(z) = 0.0031 \times (1 + z)^{-1.07} \text{Mpc}^{-3} \text{dex}^{-1},
\]

\[
\log_{10} \left[ \frac{M^\text{DA08}_0(z)}{M^\odot} \right] = 11.35 - 0.22 \times \ln(1 + z),
\]

\[
\alpha^\text{DA08} = -1.3.
\]
The redshift dependence of SFR is also parameterized in DA08 as a function of stellar mass:

\[ \dot{M}_* (M_*, z) = M_*^0(z) \left( \frac{M_*}{M_*^{DA08}(z)} \right)^{\beta^{DA08}} \times \exp \left( -\frac{M_*}{M_*^{DA08}(z)} \right), \]  

with

\[ M_*^{DA08}(z) = 2.7 \times 10^{10} \times (1 + z)^{2.1} M_\odot, \]

\[ \beta^{DA08} = 0.6, \]  

while the fitting form of \( M_*^0(z) \) is not given in DA08. In our study, we adopt the following functional form:

\[ M_*^0(z) = M_*^{N15}(1 + z)^{\alpha^{N15}} \exp(\beta^{N15} z), \]

with \( M_*^{N15} = 1.183 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\), \( \alpha^{N15} = 5.5 \) and \( \beta^{N15} = -0.78 \), so as to fit the CSFRD, \( \dot{\rho}_*(z) \), of the data in DA08 shown in Figure 2. Note that CSFRD is obtained from

\[ \dot{\rho}_*(z) = \int_0^\infty \dot{M}_*(M_*, z) \phi_{SMF}(M_*, z) \, dM_*, \]

and the value of \( M_*^{N15} \) is determined to obtain \( \dot{\rho}_*(0) = 0.02 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\)Mpc\(^{-3}\), which is consistent with the values in recent studies of \( 0.017 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\)Mpc\(^{-3}\) (Horiuchi et al. 2011), \( 0.026 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\)Mpc\(^{-3}\) (K13) and \( 0.007 - 0.02 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\)Mpc\(^{-3}\) (Mathews et al. 2014).

So far, the CSFRD proposed by Hopkins & Beacom (2006, hereafter HB06) has often been used for the calculation of the SNR spectrum. By performing a modification using data of gamma-ray bursts for \( z > 4 \), Yüksel et al. (2008) obtained the parametric fit

\[ \dot{\rho}_*^{HB06}(z) = \rho_0 \left( 1 + z \right)^{\gamma^{HB06}} + \left( \frac{1 + z}{B} \right)^{\gamma^{HB06}}, \]

with \( \alpha^{HB06} = 3.4, \beta^{HB06} = -0.3, \gamma^{HB06} = -3.5 \), \( \eta^{HB06} = -10 \) and \( \rho_0 = 0.02 M_\odot \) yr\(^{-1}\)Mpc\(^{-3}\). In this form, breaks are made at \( z_1 = 1 \) and \( z_2 = 4 \) by coefficients \( B = (1 + z_1)^{-\alpha^{HB06}} \) and \( C = (1 + z_1)^{-\alpha^{HB06}} \). While various observational results were compiled in HB06, there are uncertainties in the dust obscuration correction and the conversion from UV luminosity to SFR. In fact, most of the theoretical models for galaxy formation underpredict CSFRD at \( z \gtrsim 1 \) and, according to K13, this inconsistency is due to these observational uncertainties. Therefore, for the SRN spectrum, we also examine CSFRD based on the semi-analytic model of galaxy formation presented in K13 as well as the observational model in HB06. The CSFRD models considered in this paper are compared in Figure 2. We can see that our reference model of CSFRD based on DA08 lies between those in HB06 and K13 for \( z \lesssim 2 \), the region mainly responsible for SRNs.

With the CSFRD models stated above, we obtain the total core-collapse rate, \( R_{CC}(z) \), as

\[ R_{CC}(z) = \dot{\rho}_*(z) \int_{M_{min}}^{M_{max}} \psi_{IMF}(M) \, dM, \]

adapting the Salpeter initial mass function \( \psi_{IMF}(M) \propto M^{-2.35} \) with a mass range of 0.1–100 M_\odot as in DA08. Here \( M_{max} \) and \( M_{min} \) are the maximum and minimum masses of progenitors that end with a core collapse, respectively. Their values are given later in Section 4.

### 3.2. Metallicity Evolution

The redshift dependence of the galaxy mass–metallicity relation was investigated in M08. The following analytical form was adopted:

\[ 12 + \log_{10}(O/H) = -0.0864 \times \left( \log_{10} M_* - \log_{10} M_*^{M08} \right)^2 + K_0^{M08}, \]

where the best fit values of \( \log_{10} M_*^{M08} \) and \( K_0^{M08} \) at different redshifts are listed in Table 5 of M08. While there are two choices for the values at \( Z = 3.5 \) with different models of spectral synthesis, we adopt case a based on Bruzual & Charlot (2003). Using linear interpolation and extrapolation, we obtain the mass–metallicity relation for redshifts ranging from 0 to 5. We assume that the solar metallicity \( (Z_0 = 0.02) \) corresponds to the oxygen abundance of \( 12 + \log_{10}(O/H) = 8.69 \) (Allende
log_{10} \left( \frac{Z}{Z_\odot} \right) = 12 + \log_{10}(O/H) - 8.69. \quad (17)

In our study, we assume that the stellar metallicity is identical to the value for its host galaxy for simplicity, whereas the metallicity variation inside a galaxy is currently being discussed (e.g., Levesque et al. 2011; Niino 2011; Sanders et al. 2012; Taddia et al. 2013; Niino et al. 2014). We combine the mass–metallicity relation with the stellar mass function (8) and SFR (10) of DA08 to derive the metallicity distribution function of progenitors \( \psi_{ZF}(z, Z) \) as

\[
\int_0^Z \psi_{ZF}(z, Z') dZ' = \int_0^{M_*(z, Z)} M_*(M'_*, z) \phi_{\text{SMF}}(M'_*, z) dM'_*,
\]

where \( M_*(z, Z) \) is the stellar mass of a galaxy with metallicity \( Z \) at redshift \( z \) calculated from Equations (16) and (17). The left-hand side of Equation (18), which is shown in Figure 3, represents the fraction of progenitors with metallicity less than \( Z \). Hereafter, we refer to this model as DA08+M08.

In this study, we also consider the model of metallicity evolution proposed by Langer & Norman (2006, hereafter LN06). According to their model, the metallicity distribution function is given as

\[
\int_0^Z \psi_{ZF}^{\text{LN}06}(z, Z') dZ' = \int_0^{M_*(z, Z)} M_*(M'_*, z) \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06}(M'_*, z) dM'_*.
\]

where \( \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06} \) is the incomplete and complete gamma functions originating from the Schechter form of their stellar mass function \( \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06}(M_0, \alpha, \beta, \phi_0) \cdot \frac{M_0^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \exp(-M_0/M_0^{\text{LN}06}) \) respectively. Note that, in Equation (19), \( M_0 \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06} \) is integrated instead of \( M_0 \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06} \) in Equation (18). However, \( M_0 \phi_{\text{SMF}}^{\text{LN}06} \) is reasonable for our purpose because short-lived massive progenitors contribute to SRNs. Furthermore, in LN06, the mass–metallicity relation was assumed to be

\[
\frac{M_0(z, Z)}{M_0^{\text{LN}06}} = K^{\text{LN}06} \frac{Z}{Z_\odot} \left( \frac{Z}{Z_\odot} \right)^{\gamma^{\text{LN}06}} \exp\left( -\frac{\log_{10}(Z/\odot)}{10} K_0^{\text{LN}06} \right),
\]

where \( \gamma^{\text{LN}06} \) is related to the average cosmic metallicity scaling as

\[
\frac{d}{dz} \log_{10} \left( \frac{Z}{Z_\odot} \right) = -\gamma^{\text{LN}06}. \quad (21)
\]

Taking the numbers in LN06, \( \alpha^{\text{LN}06} = -1.16, \beta^{\text{LN}06} = 2, \gamma^{\text{LN}06} = 0.15 \) and \( K_0^{\text{LN}06} = 1 \), we obtain the metallicity distribution function (Figure 3).

### 4. Neutrino Emission from Stellar Core Collapse

For the calculation of the SRN spectrum, we utilize the numerical results for the neutrino spectra emitted from various progenitors in the Supernova Neutrino Database (Nakazato et al. 2013). The progenitor models in this data set are computed by a Henyey-type stellar evolution code (Umeda et al. 2012) and models with the initial masses \( M = 13M_\odot, 20M_\odot, 30M_\odot \) and \( 50M_\odot \) are provided. In our model, we set \( M_{\text{min}} = 10M_\odot \) in Equation (15) for the minimum mass of progenitors that end with a core collapse for consistency with the evolutionary calculation of the progenitors. We do not take...
into account the contribution due to electron-capture supernovae of low-mass progenitors (Lunardini & Tamborra 2012; Mathews et al. 2014). Note that recent theoretical studies suggest that their mass range is narrow (e.g., Poelarends et al. 2008; Doherty et al. 2015). On the other hand, the maximum mass of progenitors is \( M_{\text{max}} = 100 M_\odot \) from the mass range of the initial mass function. Furthermore, in the Supernova Neutrino Database, two different values of stellar metallicity (\( Z = 0.02 \) and 0.004, i.e., the solar abundance and one-fifth of the solar abundance, respectively) are considered, and we consider the metallicity distribution for SNRs using a threshold of \( Z = \sqrt{0.02 \times 0.004} \). Therefore, eight progenitor models are adopted in total. As shown in Equation (1), their neutrino spectra, \( dN (M, Z, E_\nu)/dE_\nu \), are integrated in SNRs.

### 4.1. Supernova Explosion and Shock Revival Time

The physical factors that cause the CCSN explosion are not well understood (e.g., Janka 2012; Kotake et al. 2012; Burrows 2013). However, it is widely accepted that the shock wave launched by the bounce due to the nuclear repulsion stalls once but is revived by some mechanism. The process leading to shock revival is still a matter of debate. In the Supernova Neutrino Database, the shock revival time \( t_{\text{revive}} \) is introduced as a parameter that reflects the unknown explosion mechanism. In this data set, under spherical symmetry, neutrino-radiation hydrodynamic simulations (Yamada 1997; Yamada et al. 1999; Sumiyoshi et al. 2005) and quasi-static evolutionary calculations of neutrino diffusion (Suzuki et al. 1994) are used for the early and late phases of the supernova explosion, respectively. Although the neutrino-radiation hydrodynamic simulations do not lead to a natural supernova explosion, they are phenomenologically connected to quasi-static evolutionary calculations of neutrino diffusion, based on physical considerations (see Figure 14 of Nakazato et al. 2013). The shock revival time after the bounce has been estimated to be on the order of 100 ms. For instance, according to Belczynski et al. (2012), it is preferably as short as 100–200 ms to account for the observed mass distributions of neutron stars and black holes. On the other hand, Yamamoto et al. (2013) suggested from a numerical study that the shock relaunch should be delayed until 300–400 ms to simultaneously produce the appropriate explosion energy and nickel yields. Therefore, in our study, the shock wave is assumed to be revived at either \( t_{\text{revive}} = 100, 200 \) or 300 ms after the bounce.

In Figure 4, we show the neutrino number spectra of supernovae with different shock revival times for the models with 30\( M_\odot \) and \( Z = 0.02 \) in the Supernova Neutrino Database. The total emission number and energy of supernova neutrinos depend on the shock revival time; they increase with \( t_{\text{revive}} \) because more material accretes onto the collapsed core, releasing a huge amount of gravitational potential energy. In particular, the difference is larger in the high-energy regime. This is because high-energy neutrinos are mainly emitted in the early phase when the proto-neutron star continues to be heated as a result of mass accretion. After the shock revival, the accretion stops and the mean energy of emitted neutrinos decreases, which is called the cooling phase. To estimate the uncertainty of the explosion mechanism, we calculate the spectrum of SNRs for models with different values of \( t_{\text{revive}} \) (Nakazato 2013). Note that the shock revival time may not be the same for all progenitors but be longer for more massive progenitors. We may underestimate the SNR flux using models with \( t_{\text{revive}} = 100 \) ms especially for massive progenitors. Therefore, in this study, we regard the cases with \( t_{\text{revive}} = 300 \) and 100 ms as an indication of upper and lower bounds, respectively.

### 4.2. Black Hole Formation and Nuclear EOS

Some massive stars are thought to fail to produce supernovae, leaving a black hole as a remnant (e.g., Liebendorfer et al. 2004; Sumiyoshi et al. 2006; O’Connor & Ott 2011). The failed supernovae also emit neutrinos from the bounce to black hole formation and, therefore, contribute to the overall flux of SNRs (Lunardini 2009; Lien et al. 2010; Nakazato 2013). In the Supernova Neutrino Database, the progenitor model with 30\( M_\odot \) and \( Z = 0.004 \) is assumed to become a failed supernova because of its high core mass. Note that the models with \( Z = 0.004 \) have higher core mass than those with \( Z = 0.02 \) because the mass loss rate is larger for higher metallicity. On the other hand, the core mass is not monotonically related to the initial mass of progenitors because the mass loss rate is larger for a higher mass. Thus, the core mass of the model with the initial mass of \( 30 M_\odot \) is the highest for the progenitors in the Supernova Neutrino Database. In contrast, progenitor models other than \( (M_{\text{init}}, Z) = (30 M_\odot, 0.004) \) are assumed to be ordinary supernovae. Combining this assumption with the Salpeter initial mass function \( \psi_{\text{IMF}} (M) \) and the metallicity distribution function \( \psi_Z (Z) \) of Equation (18) or (19), we obtain the fraction of black hole-forming progenitors and calculate the spectrum of SNRs including failed supernovae. In Figure 5, the fraction of black hole-forming progenitors is shown as a function of redshift for our models. At present, its value is hardly constrained by the observational data, while Horiiishi et al. (2014) estimated it to be 0.2–0.4 on the basis of another progenitor set (Woosley et al. 2002).

Although the neutrino signal from a failed supernova is sensitive to the nuclear EOS (Sumiyoshi et al. 2006), there is a result based on a single model by Shen et al. (1998a, 1998b) in the Supernova Neutrino Database. To estimate the uncertainty of EOS, in this study, we compute the neutrino signal from the progenitor model with 30\( M_\odot \) and \( Z = 0.004 \) using another EOS by Lattimer & Swesty (1991, hereafter LS). While the LS EOS has three choices with different values of incompressibility \( K \), we adopt the set with \( K = 220 \text{MeV} \). The method of computation is fully consistent with the original one in the Supernova Neutrino Database (Nakazato et al. 2013). Incidentally, the EOS uncertainty of neutrino flux from ordinary CCSN has been evaluated for both the accretion phase (Sumiyoshi et al. 2005) and the cooling phase (Suzuki et al. 2005) to be \( \sim 10\% \), which is smaller than the dispersion due to the shock revival time in the Supernova Neutrino Database (20–50\%).

We follow the neutrino emission until black hole formation with the neutrino-radiation hydrodynamic simulation. Note that the shock wave is not revived in this model and the mass accretion continues until black hole formation. Therefore, a larger amount of matter is accreted and more neutrinos are emitted compared with an ordinary supernova. Furthermore, the mean energy of neutrinos emitted from a failed supernova is higher than that from an ordinary supernova because the heating due to the accretion continues. It should also be noted that the neutrino emission from a failed supernova is rich in \( \nu_\tau \) and \( \bar{\nu}_\tau \). This is because \( \nu_\tau \) and \( \bar{\nu}_\tau \) are emitted more abundantly than \( \nu_e \) (\( \nu_e = \bar{\nu}_e = \nu_\mu = \bar{\nu}_\mu \)) from the accretion of matter owing to the capture of electrons and positrons on nucleons. In
contrast, during the cooling of a proto-neutron star, neutrinos of all species are emitted equivalently. In Figure 6 and Table 1, the results for the Shen EOS and LS EOS are compared. We find that the model with the Shen EOS produces more neutrinos than that with the LS EOS. This is for the following reason. The Shen EOS with the incompressibility of $K = 281$ MeV is stiffer than the LS EOS adopted in this study. Thus, the maximum mass of neutron stars is higher and the amount of mass accretion is larger for the Shen EOS. In fact, the model with the Shen EOS takes a longer time to form a black hole (Table 1). As a result, more potential energy can be converted into the emission energy of neutrinos. These features are consistent with previous studies (Sumiyoshi et al. 2006; Fischer et al. 2009; Nakazato et al. 2010).

5. EXPECTED EVENT RATE AT SUPER-KAMIOKANDE

In this section, we present the results for the spectrum of SRNs and evaluate the event rate for Super-Kamiokande over 1 yr. For this, we only consider the inverse $\beta$ decay reaction of electron antineutrinos,

$$\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n,$$

(22)

which is the most promising channel for detection. For Super-Kamiokande with a 22.5 kton fiducial volume, the number of target protons is set to $N = 1.5 \times 10^{33}$. Note that, in the following, we do not take into account the detection efficiency for simplicity. Thus, using different normalization, our results are applicable to different detectors with the inverse $\beta$ decay events. The event rate spectrum for positrons is written as

$$\frac{dN_{e^-}(E_{e^-})}{dE_{e^-}} = N \sigma(E_{\bar{\nu}_{e}}) \frac{dF(E_{\bar{\nu}_{e}})}{dE_{\bar{\nu}_{e}}},$$

(23)

where $\sigma(E_{\bar{\nu}_{e}})$ is the cross section for the inverse $\beta$ decay using the approximation shown in Equation (25) of Strumia & Vissani (2003). The positron energy is $E_{e^+} = E_{\bar{\nu}_{e}} - \Delta m^2$ with neutron–proton mass difference $\Delta$. In the following, we choose a model with the CSFD of DA08, the metallicity distribution function of DA08+M08, a shock revival time of $t_{\text{revive}} = 200$ ms and the Shen EOS as a reference model.

5.1. Impact of Metallicity Evolution and Black Hole Formation

We compare the results for the flux of SRNs, $dF(E_{\bar{\nu}_{e}})/dE_{\bar{\nu}_{e}}$, and the event rate spectrum, $dN_{e^-}(E_{e^-})/dE_{e^-}$, for different metallicity evolution models in Figure 7. Here, we also show the results for fixed metallicity with $Z = 0.02$ and 0.004. The flux and event rate are higher for the case with $Z = 0.004$ because they increase with the inclusion of failed supernovae (Lunardini 2009; Lien et al. 2010; Nakazato 2013). In our model, the fraction of black-hole-forming progenitors for $Z = 0.004$ is fixed to $\sim 0.14$ while that for $Z = 0.02$ is 0. The accretion in failed supernovae continues until the mass of the proto-neutron star reaches the maximum mass of neutron stars. Therefore, more potential energy can be released from black hole formation than for ordinary CCSNe leaving neutron stars. Furthermore, the mean energy of neutrinos emitted from failed supernovae is higher than that for an ordinary CCSN because the neutrino-emitting surface of the core continues to...
be heated. Thus, the difference in the spectra for $Z = 0.02$ and 0.004 is larger in the high-energy regime.

The enhancement of SRNs due to failed supernovae is larger for the normal mass hierarchy than for the inverted mass hierarchy because neutrinos from the accretion of matter dominate in the case of failed supernovae. As already stated, $\bar{\nu}_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ are emitted more abundantly than $\nu_x$ ($=\nu_\tau = \bar{\nu}_\tau = \bar{\nu}_e = \bar{\nu}_\mu$) from the accretion of matter. Nevertheless, for the inverted mass hierarchy, all $\bar{\nu}_x$ are converted to $\bar{\nu}_e$ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ as in Equation (7). Meanwhile, for the normal mass hierarchy, the survival probability of $\bar{\nu}_e$ is 0.68 as in Equation (6). On the other hand, the neutrino spectra of ordinary supernovae do not depend strongly on flavor because neutrinos of all species are emitted equivalently during the cooling of the proto-neutron star. Therefore, we can see the contribution of failed supernovae more clearly for the normal mass hierarchy.

Models with the metallicity distribution functions of DA08 +M08 and LN06 reside between the two fixed-metallicity cases with $Z = 0.02$ and 0.004 (Figure 7). The spectra of DA08 +M08 and LN06 are similar. As shown in Table 2, this is also the case for the event rates in various ranges of positron energy. In previous studies (Yüksel and Kistler 2012; Nakazato 2013), the metallicity evolution of galaxies was not considered in the redshift dependence of the black hole formation rate. However, the black hole formation rate can be assessed using suitable metallicity evolution models of galaxies. In fact, in our model, the uncertainty of the black hole formation rate in SRNs is small for the given mass and metallicity ranges of black-hole-forming progenitors. On the other hand, as already mentioned, the mass and metallicity dependences of the fate of progenitors are still unclear. For the normal mass hierarchy, the event rate in the positron energy range of 10–26 MeV for the model with a fixed $Z$ of 0.004 is ~40% larger than that when $Z = 0.02$. Thus, when the fraction of black-hole-forming progenitors is ~0.3 (Horiuchi et al. 2014), the event rate would become ~80% larger than that for the model with $Z$ fixed to 0.02. In contrast, for the inverted mass hierarchy, the enhancement of the event rate is ~15% for $Z = 0.004$ and, therefore, it would be ~30% when the fraction of black-hole-forming progenitors is ~0.3.

Now we move on to the EOS dependence of black hole formation while the above investigations in this subsection were based on the models with the Shen EOS. In Figure 8, we show the results obtained with the Shen EOS and LS EOS for fixed metallicity with $Z = 0.004$ for the purpose of comparison. We can see that, as anticipated from Section 4.2, the flux and event rate are lower for the LS EOS. In general, a stiffer EOS can result in higher SRN flux, which is consistent with a previous study (Lunardini 2009). In particular, for the LS EOS, the flux of the model with $Z = 0.004$ does not significantly differ from that with $Z = 0.02$, which does not include failed supernovae. The contribution of failed supernovae is also not clear for the event rates in various ranges of positron energy (Table 2). In conclusion, the enhancement of SRNs due to failed supernovae is significant for the case with the normal mass hierarchy and a stiff EOS.

### 5.2. Dependence of CSFRD

The results for the SRN flux and event rate spectrum for various CSFRD models are shown in Figure 9. A model with a higher CSFRD has more progenitors of both ordinary and failed supernovae as in Equation (15). We can recognize that
the difference is clearer for the low-energy regime, in contrast to the models in Figure 7. This is because, reflecting the fact that the uncertainty in CSRFD is larger for a higher redshift, the difference in CSFRD among the models adopted here is large for the redshifts with $z < 0.5$. Neutrinos from the distant universe accumulate in the low-energy region of the SRN spectrum because they are redshifted by the cosmic expansion and their energy is reduced by a factor of $(1 + z)^{-1}$. For the SRN flux of the reference model, contributions from various redshift ranges are indicated in Figure 10. We can see that, as discussed in previous works (e.g., Ando & Sato 2004; Mathews et al. 2014), the considerable flux of low-energy SRNs is attributed to the range $1 < z < 2$ while the dominant flux originates from the local universe ($0 < z < 1$) for neutrino energy $E_\nu > 10$ MeV.

5.3. Dependence of Shock Revival Time

In Figure 11, we show the spectra obtained from the models with different values of the shock revival time, which is introduced as a parameter reflecting the still unknown explosion mechanism (Nakazato et al. 2013). The models with a longer shock revival time have a higher event rate because, as already stated in Section 4.1, the total emission number and energy of supernova neutrinos increase with the shock revival time. The increase in flux is clear for the high-energy regime; this trend is similar to that observed with the inclusion of failed supernovae (Section 5.1 and Figure 7). Nevertheless, as reported by Nakazato (2013), the hardening of the SRN spectrum is not significant because a considerable fraction of neutrinos is emitted after the shock revival, where a proto-neutron star is not heated and the mean energy of neutrinos gradually decreases. Note that the increase in flux (Figure 11) is larger for the normal mass hierarchy because $\nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_e$ are abundant in the accretion phase, which is longer in the case of later shock revival.

5.4. Summary of Uncertainties

Here, we summarize the uncertainties in the SRN spectrum due to the EOS for black hole formation, CSFRD and shock revival time $t_{revive}$, adopting the models with DA08+M08 for metallicity evolution, whose variance was shown to be small in Section 5.1. In Table 3, the event rates in various ranges of positron energy are listed for all combinations. We can see that the uncertainty of CSFRD is relatively larger than those of the EOS and $t_{revive}$ for events in a low-energy range ($10$ MeV $\leq E_\nu^e \leq 18$ MeV), whereas they are comparable for events in a high-energy range ($18$ MeV $\leq E_\nu^e \leq 26$ MeV). This is because the SRN flux dependences on the EOS and

![Figure 7. Fluxes of SRNs (upper panels) and event rate spectra in Super-Kamiokande over 1 yr (lower panels) obtained using models with CSFRD of DA08, shock revival time of $t_{revive} = 200$ ms, and Shen EOS. The left and right panels show the results for the normal and inverted mass hierarchies, respectively. Solid and dotted-dashed lines correspond to models with the metallicity evolutions of DA08+M08 and LN06, respectively, while other lines denote the results for fixed metallicity with $Z = 0.02$ (dotted) and 0.004 (dashed).](image-url)
revive are minor for low energies. This tendency is especially clear in the case of the inverted mass hierarchy, where the dependences on the EOS and \( t_{\text{revive}} \) are again minor. In Figure 12, we show the spectra of the reference model and models with the maximum and minimum values of the SRN event rate given in Table 3. We can recognize that the uncertainty in the SRN flux is a factor of two or three across the full energy range shown in Figure 12. As already described, the difference in the low-energy spectrum mainly originates from CSFRD (see Figure 9), whereas the choice of EOS and \( t_{\text{revive}} \) also affects the high-energy spectrum (see Figures 8 and 11).

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We compare the results for the normal and inverted mass hierarchies in Figure 13. The difference is clear for model with minimum values of SRN event rate, where a short shock revival time \( (t_{\text{revive}} = 100 \text{ ms}) \) and LS EOS are adopted. In models with short shock revival time (see Figure 4) and LS EOS (see Figure 6), the difference in the spectra for \( \nu_e \) and \( \nu_x \) before the neutrino oscillation is larger in the high-energy regime. This is for the following reason. The emission of high-energy \( \nu_e \) and \( \nu_x \) is suppressed owing to dense accreting matter in the early stage of the accretion phase \((\lesssim 100 \text{ ms} \text{ after the bounce})\). The average energy of \( \nu_x \) is higher even in the early

Table 2
SRN Event Rates in Various Ranges of Positron Energy in Super-Kamiokande Over 1 yr (i.e., per 22.5 kton yr) for Models With CSFRD of DA08 and Shock Revival Time of \( t_{\text{revive}} = 200 \text{ ms} \)

| Metallicity Evolution | EOS for BH | Normal Mass Hierarchy | Inverted Mass Hierarchy |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                       |            | 18–26 | 10–18 | 10–26 MeV | 18–26 | 10–18 | 10–26 MeV |
| \( Z = 0.02 \)        |            | 0.227 | 0.549 | 0.776    | 0.301 | 0.640 | 0.941    |
| DA08+M08              | Shen       | 0.274 | 0.604 | 0.879    | 0.326 | 0.660 | 0.986    |
| LN06                  | Shen       | 0.288 | 0.625 | 0.912    | 0.334 | 0.669 | 1.003    |
| \( Z = 0.004 \)       | Shen       | 0.387 | 0.714 | 1.100    | 0.378 | 0.691 | 1.069    |

Figure 8. Same as Figure 7 but for different EOSs. Dashed and dotted lines correspond to models with the Shen EOS and LS EOS, respectively, with the metallicity fixed to \( Z = 0.004 \). The contribution of black-hole-forming failed supernovae is extracted for the Shen EOS (dot-short-dashed) and LS EOS (dot-long-dashed). Solid lines denote the results for fixed metallicity with \( Z = 0.02 \), where failed supernovae are not included.

\[ t_{\text{revive}} \]
stage (see Figure 14 of Nakazato et al. 2013) because a mean free path of $\nu_e$ is longer than those of $\nu_x$ and $\bar{\nu}_e$. On the other hand, high-energy $\nu_x$ and $\bar{\nu}_e$ are more efficiently emitted than $\nu_e$ later on the accretion phase ($\gtrsim 200$ ms after the bounce) and the difference in the total emission number of $\nu_e$ and $\nu_x$ gets smaller. Thus the difference in the SRN spectra for the normal and inverted mass hierarchies is clear for models with a short mass accretion. Note that LS EOS model has a shorter time to black hole formation, which corresponds to the duration of mass accretion, than Shen EOS model.

6. CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION

In this paper, we have studied the SRN spectrum and event rate involving black-hole-forming failed supernovae. To
evaluate the contribution of failed supernovae to SRNs, cosmic metallicity evolution is important as well as the mass and metallicity dependences of the fate of progenitors. In this study, the impact of metallicity evolution on SRNs has been investigated for the first time. We have determined the redshift evolution of the metallicity distribution function of progenitors from observed galaxy stellar mass function and the empirical relation of galaxy mass and metallicity. As a result, the

![Figure 11](image)

**Figure 11.** Same as Figure 7 but for models with CSFRD of DA08 and metallicity evolution of DA08+M08 and Shen EOS. Dotted, solid, and dashed lines correspond to models with shock revival times of $t_{\text{revive}} = 100$, 200, and 300 ms, respectively.

**Table 3**

| CSFRD | $t_{\text{revive}}$ (ms) | EOS for BH | Normal Mass Hierarchy | Inverted Mass Hierarchy | Figure 12 |
|-------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|
|       |                         |            | 18–26 | 10–18 | 10–26 MeV | 18–26 | 10–18 | 10–26 MeV |
| HB06  | 100                      | Shen       | 0.286 | 0.704 | 0.990     | 0.375 | 0.832 | 1.207     | ... |
|       | 200                      | Shen       | 0.227 | 0.635 | 0.863     | 0.351 | 0.806 | 1.156     | ... |
|       | 300                      | Shen       | 0.361 | 0.833 | 1.193     | 0.429 | 0.920 | 1.349     | ... |
|       | 100                      | LS         | 0.302 | 0.764 | 1.066     | 0.404 | 0.893 | 1.297     | ... |
|       | 200                      | LS         | 0.432 | 0.938 | 1.370     | 0.463 | 0.967 | 1.431     | Maximum |
|       | 300                      | LS         | 0.374 | 0.869 | 1.242     | 0.439 | 0.941 | 1.379     | ... |
| DA08  | 100                      | Shen       | 0.219 | 0.515 | 0.734     | 0.286 | 0.598 | 0.885     | ... |
|       | 200                      | Shen       | 0.178 | 0.464 | 0.642     | 0.269 | 0.578 | 0.847     | ... |
|       | 300                      | Shen       | 0.274 | 0.604 | 0.879     | 0.326 | 0.660 | 0.986     | Reference |
|       | 100                      | LS         | 0.233 | 0.554 | 0.787     | 0.308 | 0.640 | 0.948     | ... |
|       | 200                      | LS         | 0.326 | 0.677 | 1.003     | 0.350 | 0.694 | 1.044     | ... |
|       | 300                      | LS         | 0.285 | 0.627 | 0.911     | 0.333 | 0.674 | 1.007     | ... |
| K13   | 100                      | Shen       | 0.203 | 0.443 | 0.645     | 0.264 | 0.505 | 0.769     | Minimum |
|       | 200                      | Shen       | 0.171 | 0.410 | 0.581     | 0.252 | 0.492 | 0.744     | ... |
|       | 300                      | Shen       | 0.252 | 0.514 | 0.767     | 0.298 | 0.554 | 0.853     | ... |
|       | 100                      | LS         | 0.221 | 0.482 | 0.703     | 0.286 | 0.542 | 0.827     | ... |
|       | 200                      | LS         | 0.298 | 0.570 | 0.868     | 0.319 | 0.580 | 0.899     | ... |
|       | 300                      | LS         | 0.266 | 0.537 | 0.804     | 0.306 | 0.568 | 0.874     | ... |
uncertainty of the black hole formation rate in our model spectra of SRNs is small for the given mass and metallicity ranges of black-hole-forming progenitors. Our reference model of SRNs has a lower flux compared with previous studies, where a higher CSFRD (Hopkins & Beacom 2006) and a higher mean energy of emitted neutrinos were assumed (e.g., Beacom 2010).

We have also investigated the dependences of SRNs on the CSFRD, shock revival time $t_{\text{revive}}$ and EOS. The shock revival time is introduced as a parameter that should depend on the still unknown explosion mechanism of core collapse supernovae. The EOS dependence has been considered for failed supernovae, whose collapse dynamics and neutrino emission are certainly affected, using the new result on a failed supernova with a different EOS. It has been found that the differences with regard to $t_{\text{revive}}$ and the EOS are clear for the high-energy regime, especially in the case of the normal mass hierarchy. In contrast, the low-energy spectrum of SRNs is mainly determined by CSFRD for both mass hierarchies. Therefore, the detection of low-energy neutrinos is mandatory so as to probe the cosmic star formation history by SRN observation.

Although numerous noise events prevent the observation at low energies, considerable effort is now being devoted to reducing them. Photomultipliers are used to observe Cherenkov photons (in a water Cherenkov type detector such as Super-Kamiokande) or scintillation photons (in a liquid-scintillator-type detector such as KamLAND) emitted from positrons produced in the inverse beta decay ($22\text{ MeV}$). Meanwhile, the neutrons produced in Equation (22) are captured on protons and emit delayed gamma-rays ($2.2\text{ MeV}$). Therefore, $\bar{n}_e$ events are identified by detecting $2.2\text{ MeV}$ gamma-rays in KamLAND.

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**Figure 12.** Same as Figure 7 but for reference model (solid) and models with maximum (dashed) and minimum (dotted) values of SRN event rate among models with metallicity evolution of DA08+M08. See Table 3 for the parameter sets of the maximum and minimum models.

**Figure 13.** Event rate spectra in Super-Kamiokande over 1 yr obtained using reference model (solid) and models with maximum (dashed) and minimum (dotted) values of SRN event rate among models with metallicity evolution of DA08+M08. Thick and thin lines correspond to the results for the normal and inverted mass hierarchies, respectively.
we will determine the event number is mainly determined by the neutron capture rate on gadolinium and the high-energy (8 MeV) gamma-ray emission (Beacom & Vagins 2004). Actually, gadolinium loading is planned in Super-Kamiokande. We hope that Super-Kamiokande with gadolinium-loaded water will become a powerful detector of SRNs, opening a new door to exploring the history of the universe.

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APPENDIX

SRN FLUX DATA TABLE

For general use in any research for astronomy, astrophysics, and physics, the numerical data of SRN with maximum and minimum values of SRN event rate among models with metallicity evolution of DA08+M08. Moreover, for a broad application, fluxes of SRNs with $\xi_d$, $\xi_o$, and $\xi_f$ for the case without neutrino oscillation, which are shown in Figure A1, are also available.

| $E_{\gamma}$ (MeV) | $\sigma_{\gamma}$ (cm$^2$) |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 10                | 1.0                       |
| 5                 | 0.5                       |
| 1                 | 0.1                       |

Figure A1. Fluxes of SRNs obtained using reference model for the case without neutrino oscillation. Dashed, solid and dotted lines correspond to $\xi_d$, $\xi_o$, and $\xi_f$ ($=\xi_d = \xi_o = \xi_f$), respectively.
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