

# NEUTRINO MASS MODELS

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} REVIEW

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# 1) FERMIONS, FERMION MASSes, CHIRAL FERMIONS

DIRAC LAGRANGIAN:  $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} (i \not{\partial} - m) \Psi$

$\Psi \equiv 4$ -comp., Anti-commuting OBJECT  $\begin{cases} \text{SPIN } \uparrow + \text{SPIN } \downarrow \\ \otimes \\ \text{PARTICLE} + \text{ANTI-PAR.} \end{cases}$

$\not{\partial} = \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu$        $\{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} = 2g^{\mu\nu}$

$\bar{\Psi} = \Psi^\dagger \gamma^0$

$\hookrightarrow$  DIRAC GAMMA MATRICES

[DIRAC REP.  $\gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix}$ ]

WEYL-REPRESENTATION

$\gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{1} \\ \mathbb{1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \vec{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vec{\sigma} \\ -\vec{\sigma} & 0 \end{pmatrix};$

$\hookrightarrow$  PAULI

$\gamma^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^\mu \\ \bar{\sigma}^\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\sigma^\mu = (\mathbb{1}, \vec{\sigma}); \quad \bar{\sigma}^\mu = (\mathbb{1}, -\vec{\sigma})$

IT TURNS OUT  $\gamma_5 \equiv i \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3$  |  $\{\gamma_5, \gamma^\mu\} = 0$   
 $\forall \mu = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$\gamma_5 = \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} \quad [\text{WEYL REP}]$$

$\gamma_5 \psi_L = -\psi_L \rightarrow$  LEFT-CHIRAL FERMION

$\gamma_5 \psi_R = +\psi_R \rightarrow$  RIGHT-CHIRAL FERMION

$$\psi_L = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \xi_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_L = \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2}$$

$$\psi = \psi_L + \psi_R = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L \\ \xi_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_R = \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2}$$

$$P_L \psi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad P_R \psi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \xi_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$\chi_L, \xi_R$

TWO-COMP.

ANTI-COMMUTING

OBJECT

[WEYL FERMION]

$$P_L^2 = P_L; \quad P_R^2 = P_R; \quad P_L P_R = P_R P_L = 0 \quad (\text{PROJECTION OPERATORS})$$

REWRITE  $\mathcal{L}$  USING  $\chi_L, \xi_R$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = i \xi_R^\dagger \sigma^\mu \partial_\mu \xi_R + i \chi_L^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi_L - m [\xi_R^\dagger \chi_L + \chi_L^\dagger \xi_R]$$

E.O.M'S

$$\begin{cases} i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi_L - m \xi_R = 0 \\ i \sigma^\mu \partial_\mu \xi_R - m \chi_L = 0 \end{cases} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ COUPLED} \\ \text{EQ'S} \end{array} \right)$$

WHY DO WE CARE?

Q)  $\chi_L, \xi_R$  ARE THE IRREDUCIBLE REP. OF LORENTZ GROUP

$$\chi_L \rightarrow \chi_L'$$

$$\xi_R \rightarrow \xi_R'$$

$$SO(3,1) = SU(2) \times SU(2)$$

b) IF  $m=0$  (AND THERE ARE ONLY GAUGE INT.)

$\chi_L, \xi_R$  "DECOUPLE":

CHIRAL SYMMETRY: 
$$\begin{cases} \chi_L \rightarrow e^{i\theta_L} \chi_L \\ \xi_R \rightarrow e^{i\theta_R} \xi_R \end{cases}$$

$\chi_L, \xi_R$   
DIFFERENT,  
UNRELATED  
OBJECTS

$\chi_L \rightarrow$  LEFT-HELICITY "PARTICLE", RIGHT-HELICITY "ANTI-P."

$\xi_R \rightarrow$  RIGHT-HELICITY "PARTICLE", LEFT-HELICITY "ANTI-P."

c) THE  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  GAUGE GROUP IS CHIRAL!

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \chi_L^\dagger i \bar{\sigma}_\mu D^\mu \chi_L + \xi_R^\dagger i \sigma_\mu D^\mu \xi_R$$

$\uparrow$  CAN BE (AND ARE!) DIFFERENT

$\left. \begin{array}{l} D_\mu = \partial_\mu \\ + \text{gauge} \end{array} \right\}$

EXAMPLE : THE ELECTRON, MASSLESS EDITION

$e_L \rightarrow$  LEFT-HANDED ELECTRON  
RIGHT-HANDED POSITRON

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} e_L^- \\ e_L^+ \end{array} \right.$

$\downarrow_L$   
TALKS TO  $\gamma, Z^0, W, \nu$

$e_R \rightarrow$  RIGHT-HANDED ELECTRON  
LEFT-HANDED POSITRON

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} e_R^- \\ e_R^+ \end{array} \right.$

$\downarrow_R?$   
TALKS TO  $\gamma, Z^0$  NOT  $W, \nu$

$\downarrow$  DIFFERENT  $Z$  COUPLING

THE CHARGE-CONJUGATED FIELD:  $\psi^c = \gamma^0 C \psi^*$ ,

if  $\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L \\ \xi_R \end{pmatrix}$

$i\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$C = i\gamma^2 \gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} i\sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -i\sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$\psi^c = \begin{pmatrix} -i\sigma_2 \xi_R^* \\ i\sigma_2 \chi_L^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L^c \\ \xi_R^c \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{cases} -i\sigma_2 \xi_R^* = \chi_L^c \\ i\sigma_2 \chi_L^* = \xi_R^c \end{cases}$

WE CAN EXCHANGE

$\Rightarrow \psi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi \\ (i\sigma_2) \chi^{c*} \end{pmatrix}$

$\xi_R \mapsto (\chi_L^c)^*$

BOTH  $\chi, \chi^c$  LEFT-CHIRAL

$\chi^c$  NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO  $\chi$  IN SPIRE OF NAME!

HENCE  $m \bar{\Psi} \Psi = m \left[ \underbrace{\chi^{cT} (i\sigma_2) \chi}_{\equiv \chi^c \cdot \chi} + \underbrace{\chi^\dagger (i\sigma_2) \chi^{c*}}_{(\chi^c \cdot \chi)^\dagger} \right]$

DOT PRODUCT ( $\chi, \xi$  LEFT-CHIRAL)

$$\chi \cdot \xi = \chi_\uparrow \xi_\downarrow - \chi_\downarrow \xi_\uparrow$$

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_\uparrow \\ \chi_\downarrow \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow$$

$\hookrightarrow$  SPIN-0 OUT OF 2 SPIN- $\frac{1}{2}$ !

TWO TYPES OF MASS-TERMS (FERMION BILINEARS)

$$m \chi \cdot \xi$$

$\chi \neq \xi$ , DIRAC MASS

X

$$m \chi \chi \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi_\uparrow \chi_\downarrow \\ -\chi_\downarrow \chi_\uparrow \end{array} \right.$$

$\chi = \xi$ , MAJORANA MASS



# SIMPLEST MASSIVE FREE-FERMION LAGRANGIAN

$$\mathcal{L} = i \bar{\chi} \not{\partial} \chi - \frac{1}{2} (m \chi \chi + \text{h.c.}) \quad \chi = \text{LEFT-CHIRAL FIELD}$$

2 STATES: (SPIN UP + SPIN DOWN)  $\times$  (PARTICLE = ANTI-PARTICLE)

ASIDE: 4-COMPONENT MAJORANA FIELD

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi \\ (i\sigma_2) \chi^* \end{pmatrix}; \quad \Psi = \Psi^c$$

IF 2 WEYL FERMIONS



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} \left[ m_1 \chi \psi + m_2 \chi \chi + m_3 \psi \psi \right]$$

The Lagrangian is shown with three terms:  $m_1 \chi \psi$ ,  $m_2 \chi \chi$ , and  $m_3 \psi \psi$ . The first term is circled in green and has wavy lines below it. The second and third terms are circled in yellow and have a large red 'X' over them. Wavy lines are also present below the crossed-out terms.

WHETHER  $m_1, m_2, m_3 \neq 0$  DEPENDS ON "SYMMETRIES" OF  $\chi, \psi$

## 2) FERMIONS IN THE STANDARD MODEL

	SU(3)	SU(2) <sub>L</sub>	U(1) <sub>Y</sub>
Q	3	2 (u) (d)	1/6
u <sup>c</sup>	$\bar{3}$	1	-2/3
d <sup>c</sup>	$\bar{3}$	1	+1/3
L	1	2 (ν) (e)	-1/2
e <sup>c</sup>	1	1	+1

$u_{1\uparrow}^R$   
 $u_{1\downarrow}^R$   
 $u_{2\uparrow}^B$   
 $u_{2\downarrow}^B$   
 $u_{3\uparrow}^R$   
 $u_{3\downarrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{1\uparrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{1\downarrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{2\uparrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{2\downarrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{3\uparrow}^R$   
 $\nu_{3\downarrow}^R$   
 (x 3 GENERATIONS)

SCALAR

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \\ \phi^- \end{pmatrix}; (1, 2, +1/2)$$

$$\tilde{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{0*} \\ \phi^- \\ \phi^+ \end{pmatrix}; (1, 2, -1/2)$$

$L(\phi^+)^*$

↳ ALL LEFT-CHIRAL WEYL FERMIONS

ALL FERMION BILINEARS FORBIDDEN BY GAUGE INV.  
 $\Rightarrow$  ALL FERMION MASS ARE ZERO...

... WERE IT NOT FOR EWSB

$$\langle H \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\langle \tilde{H} \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$v = 246 \text{ GeV}$$

### YUKAWA LAGRANGIAN

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_u \bar{Q} u^c H + \lambda_d \bar{Q} d^c \tilde{H} + \lambda_e \bar{L} e^c \tilde{H}$$

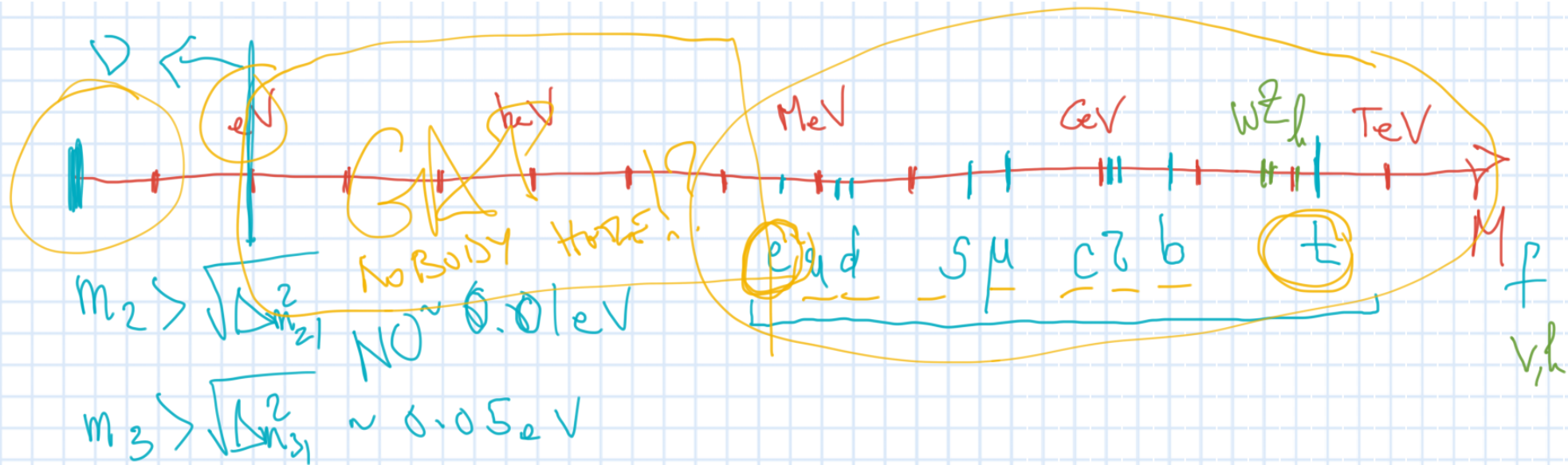
NEW D.O.F.  $\frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$        $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$        $-\frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{1}{2} = 0$

$$m_f \neq 0$$

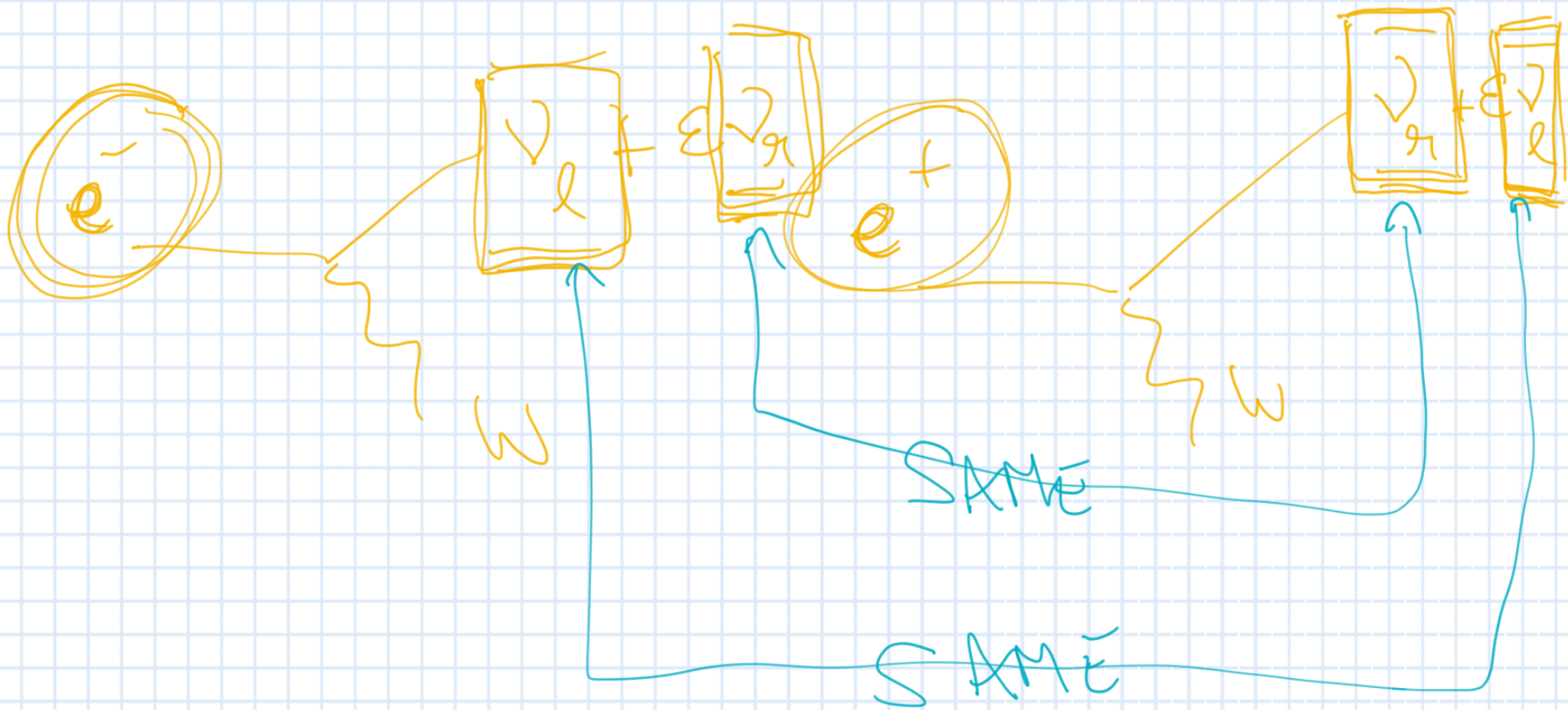
$$\langle H \rangle + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h \end{pmatrix} = H$$

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset m_u \bar{u} u^c + m_d \bar{d} d^c + m_e \bar{e} e^c$$

$$\lambda_u v / \sqrt{2} \quad \lambda_d v / \sqrt{2} \quad \lambda_e v / \sqrt{2}$$



- NEUTRINO MASSES ARE VERY SMALL!
- NEUTRINO MASSES ARE "DIFFERENT" (?)
- + FLAVOR PUZZLE (?)



IF  $v's$  NA JORDANA!