

# Majorana Phase and Matter Effects in Neutrino Chiral Oscillation

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# 1. Neutrino Chiral Oscillation

Equation of motion for a neutrino in free space

$$(i\not{\partial} - m)\psi = 0, \quad i\not{\partial}\psi_L - m\psi_R = 0, \quad i\not{\partial}\psi_R - m\psi_L = 0, \quad \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) = U(t)\psi(0)e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\psi_L = \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2}\psi, \quad \psi_R = \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\psi, \quad \psi = \psi_L + \psi_R. \quad U = e^{-iHt}, \quad H = \gamma^0\boldsymbol{\gamma}\cdot\mathbf{p} + m\gamma^0 = \boldsymbol{\alpha}\cdot\mathbf{p} + m\beta$$

How left-handed and right-handed are entangled in free space?

In chiral representation:

$$\gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma^i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^i \\ -\sigma^i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma^5 = \begin{pmatrix} -I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi^h(t, \mathbf{x}) = U(t)\psi^h(0)e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \psi^h(0)e^{-i(Et-\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x})}, \quad \psi^h(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-h\cdot\mathbf{p}} u^h \\ \sqrt{E+h\cdot\mathbf{p}} u^h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi(0)^\dagger\psi(0) = 1. \quad h = \pm 1 - \text{helicity}, \quad \mathbf{p}\cdot\boldsymbol{\sigma}u^h = (h\cdot p)u^h, \quad \mathbf{p} = (p_x, p_y, p_z) = p(\cos\phi\sin\theta, \sin\phi\sin\theta, \cos\theta).$$

$$u^{h=+1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta/2) \\ \sin(\theta/2)e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}, \quad u^{h=-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\theta/2)e^{-i\phi} \\ \cos(\theta/2) \end{pmatrix},$$

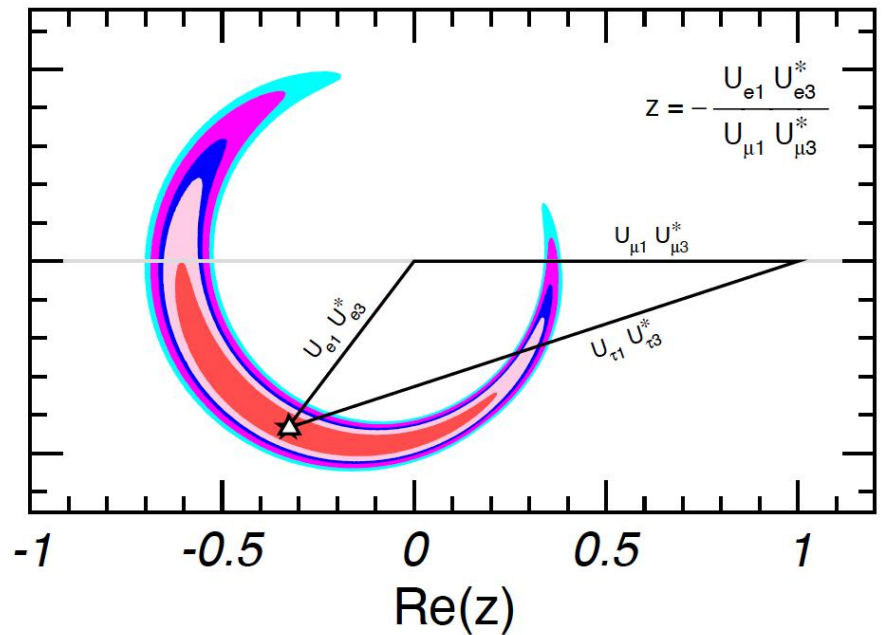
Oscillation probability from i to k for Dirac neutrinos:

$$P(\psi_i \rightarrow \psi_k) = |\langle \psi(0)_k | \psi(t)_i \rangle|^2 = \left| \sum V_{ij} V_{kj}^* e^{-i(E_j t - \mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x})} \right|^2$$

# Neutrino oscillations with 3 generations

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 c_{12} c_{13} & s_{12} c_{13} & s_{13} e^{-i\delta_{CP}} \\
 -s_{12} c_{23} - c_{12} s_{13} s_{23} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & c_{12} c_{23} - s_{12} s_{13} s_{23} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & c_{13} s_{23} \\
 s_{12} s_{23} - c_{12} s_{13} c_{23} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & -c_{12} s_{23} - s_{12} s_{13} c_{23} e^{i\delta_{CP}} & c_{13} c_{23}
 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Table 14.7:**  $3\nu$  oscillation parameters obtained from different global analyses of neutrino data. In all cases, the numbers labeled as NO (IO) are obtained assuming NO (IO), *i.e.*, relative to the respective local minimum. SK-ATM makes reference to the tabulated  $\chi^2$  map from the Super-Kamiokande analysis of their data in Ref. [97].



NO	Ref. [185] w/o SK-ATM		Ref. [185] w SK-ATM		Ref. [186] w SK-ATM		Ref. [187] w SK-ATM	
	Best Fit Ordering		Best Fit Ordering		Best Fit Ordering		Best Fit Ordering	
Param	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	$3\sigma$ range
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$3.10^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	2.75 $\rightarrow$ 3.50	$3.10^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	2.75 $\rightarrow$ 3.50	$3.04^{+0.14}_{-0.13}$	2.65 $\rightarrow$ 3.46	$3.20^{+0.20}_{-0.16}$	2.73 $\rightarrow$ 3.79
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$	31.61 $\rightarrow$ 36.27	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$	31.61 $\rightarrow$ 36.27	$33.46^{+0.87}_{-0.88}$	30.98 $\rightarrow$ 36.03	$34.5^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$	31.5 $\rightarrow$ 38.0
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$5.58^{+0.20}_{-0.33}$	4.27 $\rightarrow$ 6.09	$5.63^{+0.18}_{-0.24}$	4.33 $\rightarrow$ 6.09	$5.51^{+0.19}_{-0.80}$	4.30 $\rightarrow$ 6.02	$5.47^{+0.20}_{-0.30}$	4.45 $\rightarrow$ 5.99
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$48.3^{+1.2}_{-1.9}$	40.8 $\rightarrow$ 51.3	$48.6^{+1.0}_{-1.4}$	41.1 $\rightarrow$ 51.3	$47.9^{+1.1}_{-4.0}$	41.0 $\rightarrow$ 50.9	$47.7^{+1.2}_{-1.7}$	41.8 $\rightarrow$ 50.7
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$2.241^{+0.066}_{-0.065}$	2.046 $\rightarrow$ 2.440	$2.237^{+0.066}_{-0.065}$	2.044 $\rightarrow$ 2.435	$2.14^{+0.09}_{-0.07}$	1.90 $\rightarrow$ 2.39	$2.160^{+0.083}_{-0.069}$	1.96 $\rightarrow$ 2.41
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.61^{+0.13}_{-0.13}$	8.22 $\rightarrow$ 8.99	$8.60^{+0.13}_{-0.13}$	8.22 $\rightarrow$ 8.98	$8.41^{+0.18}_{-0.14}$	7.9 $\rightarrow$ 8.9	$8.45^{+0.16}_{-0.14}$	8.0 $\rightarrow$ 8.9
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$222^{+38}_{-28}$	141 $\rightarrow$ 370	$221^{+39}_{-28}$	144 $\rightarrow$ 357	$238^{+41}_{-33}$	149 $\rightarrow$ 358	$218^{+38}_{-27}$	157 $\rightarrow$ 349
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.79 $\rightarrow$ 8.01	$7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.79 $\rightarrow$ 8.01	$7.34^{+0.17}_{-0.14}$	6.92 $\rightarrow$ 7.91	$7.55^{+0.20}_{-0.16}$	7.05 $\rightarrow$ 8.24
$\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$2.449^{+0.032}_{-0.030}$	2.358 $\rightarrow$ 2.544	$2.454^{+0.029}_{-0.031}$	2.362 $\rightarrow$ 2.544	$2.419^{+0.035}_{-0.032}$	2.319 $\rightarrow$ 2.521	$2.424 \pm 0.03$	2.334 $\rightarrow$ 2.524
IO	$\Delta\chi^2 = 6.2$		$\Delta\chi^2 = 10.4$		$\Delta\chi^2 = 9.5$		$\Delta\chi^2 = 11.7$	
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$3.10^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	2.75 $\rightarrow$ 3.50	$3.10^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	2.75 $\rightarrow$ 3.50	$3.03^{+0.14}_{-0.13}$	2.64 $\rightarrow$ 3.45	$3.20^{+0.20}_{-0.16}$	2.73 $\rightarrow$ 3.79
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.76}$	31.61 $\rightarrow$ 36.27	$33.82^{+0.78}_{-0.75}$	31.62 $\rightarrow$ 36.27	$33.40^{+0.87}_{-0.81}$	30.92 $\rightarrow$ 35.97	$34.5^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$	31.5 $\rightarrow$ 38.0
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$5.63^{+0.19}_{-0.26}$	4.30 $\rightarrow$ 6.12	$5.65^{+0.17}_{-0.22}$	4.36 $\rightarrow$ 6.10	$5.57^{+0.17}_{-0.24}$	4.44 $\rightarrow$ 6.03	$5.51^{+0.18}_{-0.30}$	4.53 $\rightarrow$ 5.98
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$48.6^{+1.1}_{-1.5}$	41.0 $\rightarrow$ 51.5	$48.8^{+1.0}_{-1.2}$	41.4 $\rightarrow$ 51.3	$48.2^{+1.0}_{-1.4}$	41.8 $\rightarrow$ 50.9	$47.9^{+1.0}_{-1.7}$	42.3 $\rightarrow$ 50.7
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$2.261^{+0.067}_{-0.064}$	2.066 $\rightarrow$ 2.461	$2.259^{+0.065}_{-0.065}$	2.064 $\rightarrow$ 2.457	$2.18^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	1.95 $\rightarrow$ 2.43	$2.220^{+0.074}_{-0.076}$	1.99 $\rightarrow$ 2.44
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.65^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	8.26 $\rightarrow$ 9.02	$8.64^{+0.12}_{-0.13}$	8.26 $\rightarrow$ 9.02	$8.49^{+0.15}_{-0.14}$	8.0 $\rightarrow$ 9.0	$8.53^{+0.14}_{-0.15}$	8.1 $\rightarrow$ 9.0
$\delta_{CP}/^\circ$	$285^{+24}_{-26}$	205 $\rightarrow$ 354	$282^{+23}_{-25}$	205 $\rightarrow$ 348	$247^{+26}_{-27}$	193 $\rightarrow$ 346	$281^{+23}_{-27}$	202 $\rightarrow$ 349
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.79 $\rightarrow$ 8.01	$7.39^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	6.79 $\rightarrow$ 8.01	$7.34^{+0.17}_{-0.14}$	6.92 $\rightarrow$ 7.91	$7.55^{+0.20}_{-0.16}$	7.05 $\rightarrow$ 8.24
$\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$-2.509^{+0.032}_{-0.032}$	-2.603 $\rightarrow$ -2.416	$-2.510^{+0.030}_{-0.031}$	-2.601 $\rightarrow$ -2.419	$-2.478^{+0.035}_{-0.033}$	-2.577 $\rightarrow$ -2.375	$-2.50 \pm 0.04$	-2.59 $\rightarrow$ -2.39

# Neutrino Chiral Oscillation

In the SM neutrinos are produced by  $W$  and/or  $Z$  interactions.

At production  $t = 0$  point, they are left-handed and normalized,  $\psi_L^h(0) = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{E-h\cdot p}} \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^h(0)$ .

$$\psi_L^h(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{E-h\cdot p}} e^{-iHt} \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^h(0) = \psi_L^h(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{E-h\cdot p}} \left( e^{-iEt} \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^h(0) - i \frac{m}{E} \sin(Et) \left[ \beta, \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \right] \psi^h(0) \right).$$

Used 
$$U(t) = e^{-iHt} = \cos(Et) - i \frac{\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} + m\beta}{E} \sin(Et)$$

$$\psi_L^{h\dagger} \psi_L^h(t) = \left( \cos(Et) + i \frac{h \cdot p}{E} \sin(Et) \right) e^{i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{L}}, \quad \psi_R^{h\dagger} \psi_L^h(t) = \left( -i \frac{m}{E} \sin(Et) \right) e^{i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{L}}$$

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow \nu_L^h) = |\psi_L^{h\dagger} \psi_L^h(t)|^2 = 1 - \frac{m^2}{E^2} \sin^2(Et), \quad P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow \nu_R^h) = |\psi_R^{h\dagger} \psi_L^h(t)|^2 = \frac{m^2}{E^2} \sin^2(Et)$$

**Left-handed neutrinos oscillated into right-handed ones!**

$$P(\nu_{Li}^h \rightarrow \nu_{Lk}^h) = |V_{ij} V_{kj}^* (\cos(E_j t) + i \frac{h \cdot p}{E_j} \sin(E_j t))|^2, \quad P(\nu_{Li}^h \rightarrow \nu_{Rk}^h) = | -i V_{ij} V_{kj}^* \frac{m_j}{E_j} \sin(E_j t) |^2 |\psi_R^{h\dagger} \psi_L^h(t)|^2$$

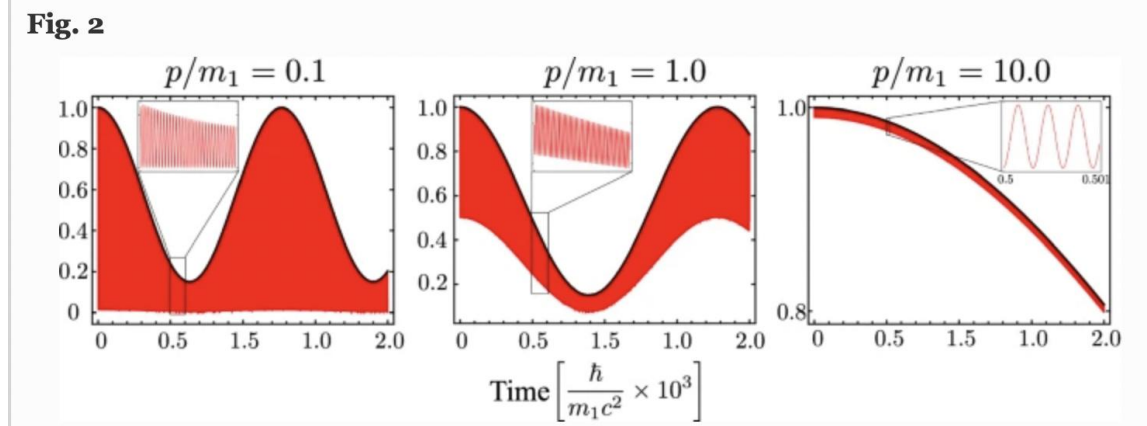
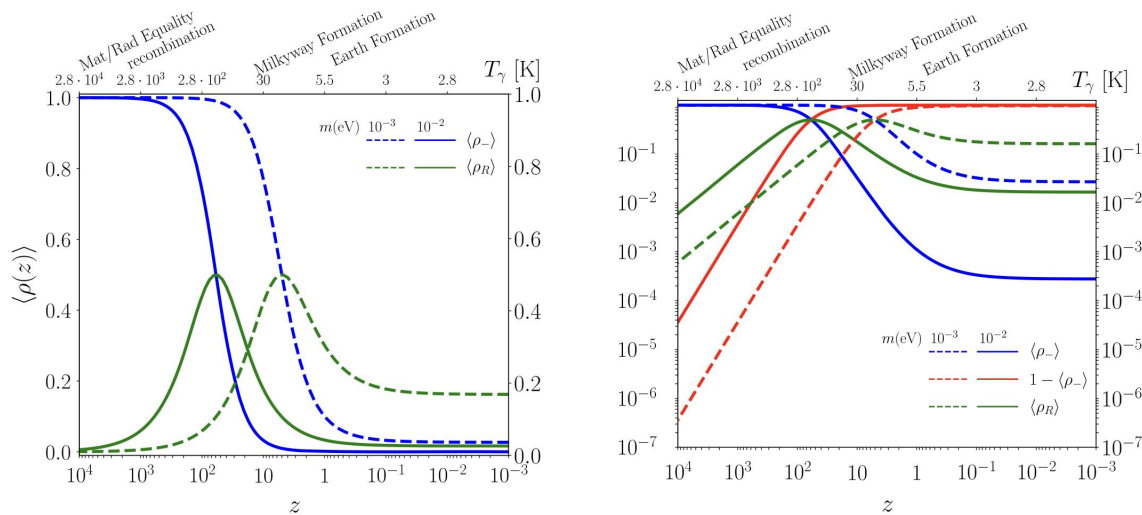
Chiral oscillation probability extremely small for relativistic neutrinos because the suppression factor:  $m^2/E^2$ .

**Numerically valid to use Dirac neutrinos to describe neutrino oscillations.**

However the effect can be large for non-relativistic neutrinos, such as background cosmic neutrinos where  $p$  is small compared with  $m$ .

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Survival probability  $\mathcal{P}_{e \rightarrow e}(t)$  as a function of time. The black curves indicate the standard survival probability formula (16) and the red curves depict the full formula including the fast chiral oscillations (depicted in the insets). Parameters:  $\sin^2 \theta = 0.306$ ,  $m_2^2 = \Delta_{21}^2 + m_1^2$ , with  $\Delta_{21}^2/m_1^2 = 0.01$

Fig. 1. Evolution of the chiral density matrix elements  $\langle \rho_- \rangle$  (blue) or  $1 - \langle \rho_- \rangle$  (red), and  $\rho_R = \mathbb{R}[c_L c_R^*]$  (green) as functions of the redshift  $z$  for  $m = 10^{-2}$  eV (solid) and  $m = 10^{-3}$  eV (dashed) with  $|\mathbf{p}_d| = 1$  MeV. The redshift at neutrino decoupling is taken to be  $z_d \sim 6 \times 10^9$ .

## 2. Neutrino Oscillation in Matter

When neutrinos travel in matter, due to interaction of neutrinos with matter mediated by W and Z, the Lagrangian is modified

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i\partial - m)\psi - j^\mu \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} \psi .$$

$j^\mu$  is the matter current which neutrino can interact.

In the rest frame of the homogeneous, isotropic, unpolarized electrical neutrality medium,  $j^\mu = (\rho, \vec{0})$   
 $\rho = \sqrt{2}G_F (N_e \delta_{\alpha e} - \frac{1}{2}N_n)$ .  $N_e, N_n$  number density of electron and neutron,  $\delta_{\alpha e}$  are zero for  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$ .

$$\left( i\partial - m - \rho \gamma_0 \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} \right) \psi = 0 \quad H = \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha} + m\beta + \rho \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho - \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} & m \\ m & \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho - h \cdot p & m \\ m & h \cdot p \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of  $H$  are:  $E_1 = \frac{\rho}{2} + E_h$ ,  $E_2 = \frac{\rho}{2} - E_h$ ,  $E_h = \sqrt{m^2 + (h \cdot p - \rho/2)^2}$ ,

$$\psi_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_h}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E_h - (h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})} u^h \\ \sqrt{E_h + (h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})} u^h \end{pmatrix}, \quad \psi_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_h}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E_h + (h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})} u^h \\ -\sqrt{E_h - (h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})} u^h \end{pmatrix}$$

The evolution for a given wave function entering the media with momentum  $\vec{p}$  at  $t = 0$  is

$$\psi_L^h(t) = e^{-iHt}\psi_L^h(0) = e^{-\frac{i}{2}\rho t} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(E_h t) + i\frac{h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}}{E_h} \sin(E_h t) & -i\frac{m}{E_h} \sin(E_h t) \\ -i\frac{m}{E_h} \sin(E_h t) & \cos(E_h t) - i\frac{h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}}{E_h} \sin(E_h t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$P(\psi_L^h \rightarrow \psi_L^h) = 1 - \frac{m^2}{E_h^2} \sin^2(E_h t), \quad P(\psi_L^h \rightarrow \psi_R^h) = \frac{m^2}{E_h^2} \sin^2(E_h t).$$

Similar as that for free space, but dependent on matter density via  $E_h = \sqrt{m^2 + (h \cdot p - \rho/2)^2}$ .

There is a resonant enhanced chiral oscillation at  $h \cdot p - \rho/2 = 0$ !

Ultra-relativistic approximation for usual neutrino oscillation in matter

$$\rho/2 + \sqrt{m^2 + (h \cdot p - \rho/2)^2} \approx p + m^2/2p + \frac{1}{2}\rho(1 - \frac{h \cdot p}{p}).$$

Writing into matrix form before diagonalization of the mass matrix, the effective Hamiltonian is

$$H_{eff} = p + \frac{M^\dagger M}{2p} - \rho \frac{h \cdot p}{p}.$$

The same as the effective Hamiltonian for  $h=-1$  by solving EOM with the same approximation.



### 3. Majorana and Seesaw Neutrinos in Free Space

Pure left-handed neutrinos, having Majorana mass like in Type II seesaw model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\nu}_L i \not{\partial} \nu_L - \frac{1}{2} m (\bar{\nu}_L^c \nu_L + \text{h.c.}) - \bar{\nu}_L j_L^\mu \gamma_\mu \nu_L = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}^m (i \not{\partial} - m) \psi^m - \bar{\psi}^m j^\mu \gamma_\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m, \quad \psi^m = \nu_L + \nu_L^c.$$

$$(i \not{\partial} - \widehat{M}) \psi^m - j_L^\mu \gamma_\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m + (j_L^\mu)^* \gamma_\mu \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \beta m - \beta j_L^\mu \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) = \begin{pmatrix} \rho - \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} & m \\ m & \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \rho \end{pmatrix},$$

$\rho$  in the Dirac neutrino case is replaced by  $2\rho$ .

$$U(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(E_h^m t) + i \frac{h \cdot p - \rho}{E_h^m} \sin(E_h^m t) & -i \frac{m}{E_h^m} \sin(E_h^m t) \\ -i \frac{m}{E_h^m} \sin(E_h^m t) & \cos(E_h^m t) - i \frac{h \cdot p - \rho}{E_h^m} \sin(E_h^m t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $E_h^m = \sqrt{m^2 + (h \cdot p - \rho)^2}$ . Resonant point shifted to:  $p - \rho = 0$ .

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow \nu_L^h) = \cos^2(E_h^m t) + \frac{(h \cdot p - \rho)^2}{(E_h^m)^2} \sin^2(E_h^m t), \quad P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow (\nu_L^h)^c) = \frac{m^2}{(E_h^m)^2} \sin^2(E_h^m t)$$

One also obtains the same  $H_{eff} = p + \frac{M^\dagger M}{2p} - h \cdot \rho$ .

# Seesaw Neutrino Oscillation

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\nu}_L i \not{\partial} \nu_L + \bar{N}_R i \not{\partial} N_R - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\bar{\nu}_L^c \quad \bar{N}_R) \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D^T \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ N_R^c \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \right) = \bar{\psi}_L i \not{\partial} \psi_L - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi}_L^c \mathcal{M} \psi_L + \text{h.c.}) ,$$

$$\psi_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ N_R^c \end{pmatrix} , \quad \mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D^T \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix} ,$$

$$V^T \mathcal{M} V = \widehat{M} = \text{diag}\{m_1, m_2, m_3, M_1, M_2, M_3\} , \quad \psi_L^m = V^\dagger \psi_L , \quad \psi^m = \psi_L^m + (\psi_L^m)^c$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}_L^m i \not{\partial} \psi_L^m - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\bar{\psi}_L^m)^c \widehat{M} \psi_L^m + \text{h.c.} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \bar{\psi}^m (i \not{\partial} - \widehat{M}) \psi^m \right) ,$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \widehat{M}_l \beta & 0 \\ 0 & \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \widehat{M}_h \end{pmatrix} ,$$

$$\widehat{M}_l = \text{diag}\{m_1, m_2, m_3\} , \quad \widehat{M}_h = \text{diag}\{M_1, M_2, M_3\} .$$

The initial state would be

$$\psi_{Li}^h = \begin{pmatrix} V_{i1}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \dots \\ V_{i6}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\psi_{Li}^h)^c = \begin{pmatrix} V_{i1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \\ \dots \\ V_{i6} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$U(t) = e^{-iHt}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(E_{m_1} t) + i \frac{h \cdot p}{E_{m_1}} \sin(E_{m_1} t) & -i \frac{m_1}{E_{m_1}} \sin(E_{m_1} t) \\ -i \frac{m_1}{E_{m_1}} \sin(E_{m_1} t) & \cos(E_{m_1} t) - i \frac{h \cdot p}{E_{m_1}} \sin(E_{m_1} t) \end{pmatrix} & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \begin{pmatrix} \cos(E_{M_3} t) + i \frac{h \cdot p}{E_{M_3}} \sin(E_{M_3} t) & -i \frac{M_3}{E_{M_3}} \sin(E_{M_3} t) \\ -i \frac{M_3}{E_{M_3}} \sin(E_{M_3} t) & \cos(E_{M_3} t) - i \frac{h \cdot p}{E_{M_3}} \sin(E_{M_3} t) \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_{m_i} = \sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2}, \quad E_{M_i} = \sqrt{p^2 + M_i^2}$$

The oscillation probability

$$P(\psi_{Li}^h \rightarrow \psi_{Lj}^h) = \left| \psi_{Lj}^\dagger e^{-iHt} \psi_{Li} \right|^2 = \left| \sum_k V_{ik} V_{jk}^* \left( \cos(E_k t) + i \frac{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E_k} \sin(E_k t) \right) \right|^2$$

$$P(\psi_{Li}^h \rightarrow (\psi_{Lj}^h)^c) = \left| (\psi_{Lj}^c)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \psi_{Li} \right|^2 = \left| \sum_k V_{ik}^* V_{jk}^* \left( -i \frac{m_k}{E_k} \sin(E_k t) \right) \right|^2$$

$$P((\psi_{Li}^h)^c \rightarrow (\psi_{Lj}^h)^c) = \left| (\psi_{Lj}^c)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \psi_{Lj}^c \right|^2 = \left| \sum_k V_{ik}^* V_{jk} \left( \cos(E_k t) - i \frac{\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E_k} \sin(E_k t) \right) \right|^2$$

$$P((\psi_{Li}^h)^c \rightarrow \psi_{Lj}^h) = \left| \psi_{Lj}^\dagger e^{-iHt} \psi_{Lj}^c \right|^2 = \left| \sum_k V_{ik} V_{jk} \left( -i \frac{m_k}{E_k} \sin(E_k t) \right) \right|^2$$

# Majorana phase effects on chiral oscillation

One light and one heavy example:  $\widehat{M} = \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & M \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{a1} & V_{a2} \\ V_{s1} & V_{s2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & e^{i\eta} \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & e^{i\eta} \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\nu_L^h = \begin{pmatrix} V_{a1}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ V_{a2}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, \quad N_R^h = \begin{pmatrix} V_{s1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \\ V_{s2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\nu_L^h)^c = \begin{pmatrix} V_{a1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \\ V_{a2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u^h \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (N_R^h)^c = \begin{pmatrix} V_{s1}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ V_{s2}^* \begin{pmatrix} u^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow \nu_L^h) = (\cos^2 \theta \cos(E_m t) + \sin^2 \theta \cos(E_M t))^2 + p^2 \left( \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{E_m} \sin(E_m t) + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{E_M} \sin(E_M t) \right)^2$$

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow (N_R^h)^c) = \frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{4} \left( (\cos(E_m t) - \cos(E_M t))^2 + p^2 \left( \frac{\sin(E_m t)}{E_m} - \frac{\sin(E_M t)}{E_M} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow (\nu_L^h)^c) = \frac{m^2}{(E_m)^2} \cos^4 \theta \sin^2(E_m t) + \frac{mM}{2E_m E_M} \sin^2 2\theta \cos 2\eta \sin(E_m t) \sin(E_M t) + \frac{M^2}{(E_M)^2} \sin^4 \theta \sin^2(E_M t)$$

$$P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow N_R^h) = \frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{4} \left( \frac{m^2}{(E_m)^2} \sin^2(E_m t) - \frac{2mM}{E_m E_M} \cos 2\eta \sin(E_m t) \sin(E_M t) + \frac{M^2}{(E_M)^2} \sin^2(E_M t) \right).$$

**Majorana phase show up in the chiral oscillation explicitly!**  
**This also applies to Type II seesaw with two generations!**

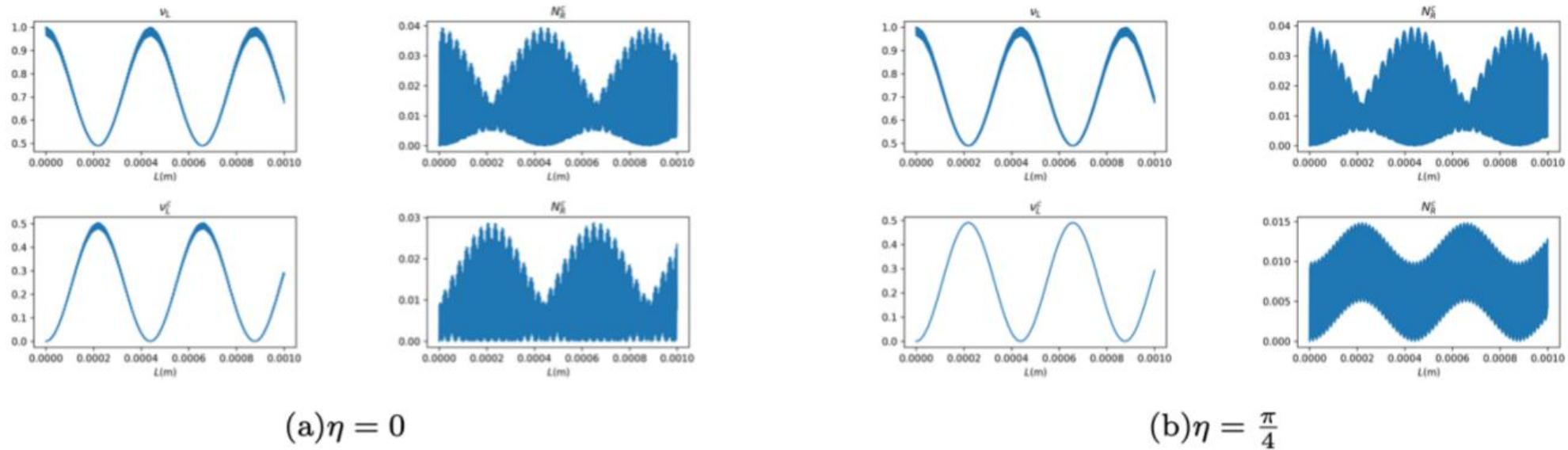


FIG. 1: The oscillation between active neutrino and sterile neutrino in non-relativistic regime. The initial state is active neutrino. In this case,  $p = 1\text{eV}$ ,  $m = 10^{-3}\text{meV}$ , and  $\Delta m^2 = 1\text{eV}$ , the mixing angle  $\sin\theta = 0.1$ , and the Majorana phase  $\eta = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

# 4. Majorana and Seesaw Neutrinos in Matter

The general seesaw neutrino Lagrangian in matter propagation

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \bar{\nu}_L i \not{\partial} \nu_L + \bar{N}_R i \not{\partial} N_R - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\bar{\nu}_L^c \quad \bar{N}_R) \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D^T \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ N_R^c \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \right) - (\bar{\nu}_L \quad \bar{N}_R^c) \begin{pmatrix} j_L^\mu & j_{RL}^\mu \\ j_{RL}^{\mu\dagger} & j_R^\mu \end{pmatrix} \gamma_\mu \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ N_R^c \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \bar{\psi}_L i \not{\partial} \psi_L - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi}_L^c \mathcal{M} \psi_L + \text{h.c.}) - \bar{\psi}_L J^\mu \gamma_\mu \psi_L\end{aligned}$$

For homogeneous, isotropic, unpolarized electrical neutrality matter medium at rest, only  $j_L^0$  is non-zero

$$j_L^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_e & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho_\mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \rho_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} G_F (N_e - \frac{1}{2} N_n) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} N_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} N_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

In terms of the mass eigenstate  $\psi_L = V \psi_L^m$ , the Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \bar{\psi}^m (i \not{\partial} - \widehat{M}) \psi^m \right) - \bar{\psi}^m \tilde{J}^\mu \gamma_\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m, \quad \psi^m = \psi_L^m + (\psi_L^m)^c, \quad \tilde{J}^\mu = V^\dagger J^\mu V.$$

$$(i \not{\partial} - \widehat{M}) \psi^m - \tilde{J}^\mu \gamma_\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m + (\tilde{J}^\mu)^* \gamma_\mu \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} \psi^m = 0.$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} & 0 \\ 0 & \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{p} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \beta \widehat{M}_l & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \widehat{M}_h \end{pmatrix} + V^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} j_L^\mu & j_{RL}^{\mu\dagger} \\ j_{RL}^\mu & -j_R^{\mu T} \end{pmatrix} V \gamma^0 \gamma_\mu \frac{1-\gamma^5}{2} - \left( V^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} j_L^\mu & j_{RL}^{\mu\dagger} \\ j_{RL}^\mu & -j_R^{\mu T} \end{pmatrix} V \right)^* \gamma^0 \gamma_\mu \frac{1+\gamma^5}{2}$$

Because the off-diagonal interaction, difficulty to get  $U(t)$ . For just one light and one heavy neutrinos, can get a closed analytic expression.

Let  $\widehat{M}_l = m$  and  $\widehat{M}_h = M$ , similar to Dirac case  $j^\mu = (\rho, \vec{0})$  and  $j_{RL}^\mu = j_R^\mu = 0$ ,

$$\tilde{J}^\mu \gamma_\mu = V^\dagger J^\mu V \gamma_\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta) & \frac{\rho}{2}e^{i\eta} \sin 2\theta \\ \frac{\rho}{2}e^{-i\eta} \sin 2\theta & \frac{\rho}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta) \end{pmatrix} \gamma_0.$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta) - \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} & m & \frac{\rho}{2}e^{i\eta} \sin 2\theta & 0 \\ m & \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \frac{\rho}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta) & 0 & -\frac{\rho}{2}e^{-i\eta} \sin 2\theta \\ \frac{\rho}{2}e^{-i\eta} \sin 2\theta & 0 & \frac{\rho}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta) - \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} & M \\ 0 & -\frac{\rho}{2}e^{i\eta} \sin 2\theta & M & \mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \frac{\rho}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$



The eigenvalue of  $H$  are:  $E_{1h} = -\sqrt{A_1 - A_2}$ ,  $E_{2h} = \sqrt{A_1 - A_2}$ ,  
 $E_{3h} = -\sqrt{A_1 + A_2}$ ,  $E_{4h} = \sqrt{A_1 + A_2}$ ,

$$A_1 = \frac{m^2 + M^2}{2} + \left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{\rho^2}{4}$$

$$A_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2(m^2 - M^2)^2 + \rho^2 \left(2(m^2 + M^2 - 2mM \cos 2\eta) \sin^2 \theta + 8\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)^2\right) - 8\rho(m^2 - M^2)\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right) \cos 2\theta}{8}}$$

$$U(t) = e^{-iHt} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & U_{13} & U_{14} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} & U_{23} & U_{24} \\ U_{31} & U_{32} & U_{33} & U_{34} \\ U_{41} & U_{42} & U_{43} & U_{44} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U_{12} = -\frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{m}{E_2} (1 - A_6) \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{m}{E_4} (1 + A_6) \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{21} = -\frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{m}{E_2} (1 - A_6^*) \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{m}{E_4} (1 + A_6^*) \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{43} = -\frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{M}{E_2} (1 - B_6) \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{M}{E_4} (1 + B_6) \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{34} = -\frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{M}{E_2} (1 - B_6^*) \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{M}{E_4} (1 + B_6^*) \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{31} = e^{-i\eta} \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})}{2A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{1 - A_7}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{1 + A_7}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{13} = e^{i\eta} \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})}{2A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{1 - A_7^*}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{1 + A_7^*}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{24} = e^{-i\eta} \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})}{2A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) + \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{1 - A_7}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{1 + A_7}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{42} = e^{i\eta} \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2})}{2A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) + \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{1 - A_7^*}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{1 + A_7^*}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{23} = \rho \sin 2\theta \left( -\frac{(me^{i\eta} - Me^{-i\eta})}{4A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{A_8}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) - \frac{A_8}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{32} = \rho \sin 2\theta \left( -\frac{(me^{-i\eta} - Me^{i\eta})}{4A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{A_8^*}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) - \frac{A_8^*}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{41} = \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(me^{i\eta} - Me^{-i\eta})}{4A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{A_8}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) - \frac{A_8}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right)$$

$$U_{14} = \rho \sin 2\theta \left( \frac{(me^{-i\eta} - Me^{i\eta})}{4A_2} (\cos(E_2 t) - \cos(E_4 t)) - \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{A_8^*}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) - \frac{A_8^*}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right) \right),$$

$$A_3 = \frac{m^2 - M^2 - 2\rho(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}) \cos 2\theta}{2A_2},$$

$$A_4 = \frac{m^2 - M^2 + \rho^2}{2A_2}, \quad A_5 = \frac{m^2 - M^2 + 4\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)^2}{2A_2},$$

$$B_4 = \frac{M^2 - m^2 + \rho^2}{2A_2}, \quad B_5 = \frac{M^2 - m^2 + 4\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)^2}{2A_2}.$$

$$A_6 = \frac{4m(m^2 - M^2) + (m - Me^{2i\eta})\rho^2 - 8m\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)\rho \cos 2\theta - (m - Me^{2i\eta})\rho^2 \cos 4\theta}{8mA_2}$$

$$B_6 = \frac{4m(M^2 - m^2) + (M - me^{2i\eta})\rho^2 + 8M\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)\rho \cos 2\theta - (M - me^{2i\eta})\rho^2 \cos 4\theta}{8MA_2}$$

$$A_7 = \frac{m^2 - 2e^{2i\eta}mM + M^2 + 4\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right)^2}{2A_2}$$

$$A_8 = \frac{(me^{i\eta} + Me^{-i\eta})\left(h \cdot p - \frac{\rho}{2}\right) + \frac{\rho}{2}(me^{i\eta} - Me^{-i\eta}) \cos 2\theta}{2A_2}.$$

$$U_{11} = \frac{1}{2} ((1 - A_3) \cos(E_2 t) + (1 + A_3) \cos(E_4 t)) + i \left( \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 - A_4) - \rho(1 - A_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 + A_4) - \rho(1 + A_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{22} = \frac{1}{2} ((1 - A_3) \cos(E_2 t) + (1 + A_3) \cos(E_4 t)) - i \left( \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 - A_4) - \rho(1 - A_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 + A_4) - \rho(1 + A_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{33} = \frac{1}{2} ((1 - A_3) \cos(E_2 t) + (1 + A_3) \cos(E_4 t)) + i \left( \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 - B_4) - \rho(1 - B_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 + B_4) - \rho(1 + B_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right)$$

$$U_{44} = \frac{1}{2} ((1 - A_3) \cos(E_2 t) + (1 + A_3) \cos(E_4 t)) - i \left( \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 - B_4) - \rho(1 - B_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_2} \sin(E_2 t) + \frac{(\pm 2p - \rho)(1 + B_4) - \rho(1 + B_5) \cos 2\theta}{E_4} \sin(E_4 t) \right),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow \nu_L^h) &= |(\nu_L^h)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \nu_L^h|^2 = \left| U_{11} \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{13} e^{-i\eta} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} + U_{31} e^{i\eta} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} + U_{33} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} \right|^2 \\
P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow (N_R^h)^c) &= |((N_R^h)^c)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \nu_L^h|^2 = \left| -U_{11} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} - U_{13} e^{-i\eta} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{31} e^{i\eta} \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{33} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right|^2 \\
P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow (\nu_L^h)^c) &= |((\nu_L^h)^c)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \nu_L^h|^2 = \left| U_{21} \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{23} e^{-i\eta} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} + U_{41} e^{-i\eta} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} + U_{43} e^{-2i\eta} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} \right|^2 \\
P(\nu_L^h \rightarrow N_R^h) &= |(N_R^h)^\dagger e^{-iHt} \nu_L^h|^2 = \left| -U_{21} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} - U_{23} e^{-i\eta} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{41} e^{-i\eta} \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} + U_{43} e^{-2i\eta} \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right|^2
\end{aligned}$$

**$\eta$  enters the chiral oscillation, even when time averaged!**

Massive neutrinos can have chiral oscillation, suppressed by  $m^2/E^2$  for relativistic neutrinos, but the suppression is lifted for non-relativistic neutrinos.

Majorana phases modify the oscillation pattern. In principle Majorana phases can be probed in chiral oscillation.

When matter effects are included, energies are split into two, there is a resonant point for chiral oscillation. Also even the oscillation is time averaged, Majorana phase still affects oscillation pattern.

Thank you for your attentions

